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**PUMPED:** American James Blake reacts after defeating Switzerland's Roger Federer, 6-4, 7-6 (2), in the men's singles quarterfinals in Beijing on Thursday. Blake's win was one in a string of upsets that included losses by both Venus and Serena Williams. ✤ **Frustrated:** A tough year for Federer | Page 16

# Health of Oceans in Jeopardy

### Researchers: 'Dead zones' becoming a global problem

WASHINGTON | Like a chronic disease spreading through the body, "dead zones" with too little oxygen for life are expanding in the world's oceans.

"We have to realize that hypoxia is not a local problem," said Robert J. Diaz of the Virginia Institute of Marine Science. "It is a global problem, and it has severe consequences for ecosystems."

Diaz and co-author Rutger Rosenberg report in Friday's edition of the journal Science that there are now more than 400 dead zones around the world, double what the United Nations reported just two years ago.

"If we screw up the energy flow within our systems, we could end up with no crabs, no shrimp, no fish," Diaz said in a telephone interview.

Some of the increase is due to the discovery of low-oxygen areas that may have existed for years and are just being found, he said, but others are actually newly developed.

Pollution-fed algae, which deprives other living marine life of oxygen, is the cause of most of the world's dead zones. Scientists mainly blame fertilizer and other farm runoff, sewage and fossil-fuel burning. (AP)

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## Donkeys Select New World Headquarters

Swallows return to San Juan Capistrano, Calif. Buzzards flock to Hinckley, Ohio. Now, donkeys seem to be ambling into downtown Dyersburg, Tenn. When animal control officers captured a young female donkey at Dyersburg Intermediate School on Monday, it marked the third donkey that had been found on the loose in the city in two months. Animal control officer Barry McCord said the incident came about two months after a mother donkey and her baby were found wandering downtown. McCord said he thinks hard economic times may be to blame, theorizing people may be turning animals loose. (AP)

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WILDLIFE

## Flat, and Yet Fierce

**Phony coyotes set up to discourage ducks and geese from gobbling up seeds and fresh shoots from wetlands plants didn't fool the fowl, but humans were another matter. Hammond, Ind., Port Authority Director Milan Kruszynski said his office has fielded several calls from passing motorists who mistook the 2-D cutouts for dogs. "We've been getting calls from neighbors and people driving by: 'There's a dog trapped on the island!'" Kruszynski said.** (AP)

POLLUTION

## Cloud of Emissions Sold Separately

The Catawba, Wis., owner of a 1991 Chevrolet Silverado that's traveled more than a million miles is parting with what he calls his "old girl." Frank Oresnik says his pickup will go on sale Thursday night on eBay. The minimum bid is $30,000. The 58-year-old man attracted attention in February when he reached the million-mile mark while doing a live interview on public radio. He says that the truck has had four radiators, three gas tanks and five transmissions but that the engine is the original. (AP)

PRECEDENT

## Child Already Getting His Way All the Time

Alone and in labor, Jessica Higgins found the first place she could to give birth — her front lawn. The 36-year-old from Fullerton, Calif., was driving home from the mall Tuesday when little Mary Claire decided to arrive six weeks early. Higgins — with her 2-year-old son sleeping in the backseat — called for an ambulance as she arrived at her home, but she had already pushed her daughter out when police arrived. Higgins' husband, Jeff, arrived in time to cut the baby's umbilical cord under the front-yard ficus tree. (AP)


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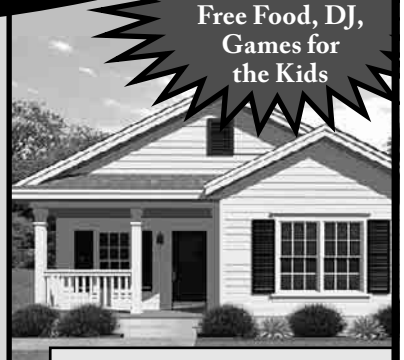

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**6** | **The number of illegal immigrants** who have volunteered to leave the United States in the first week of a pilot program inviting nearly 450,000 people to have themselves deported, federal officials said Thursday.

# Nation

## Country's Racial Shift Accelerates

### Government projects white people will be a minority by 2042

WASHINGTON | White people will no longer make up a majority of Americans by 2042, according to new government projections. That's eight years sooner than previous estimates, made in 2004.

The nation has been growing more diverse for decades, but the process has sped up through immigration and higher birth rates among minority residents, especially Hispanics.

It is also growing older.

"The white population is older and very much centered around the aging baby boomers, who are well past their high fertility years," said William Frey, a demographer at the Brookings Institution.

The Census Bureau Thursday released population projections through 2050, based on rates for births, deaths and immigration. They are subject to periodic revisions. STEPHEN OHLEMACHER (AP)

**HEALTH FINE:** South Carolina on Thursday became the eighth state to charge state employees more for health insurance if they smoke or chew tobacco. (AP)

## Sen. Clinton Added to Roll Call Vote

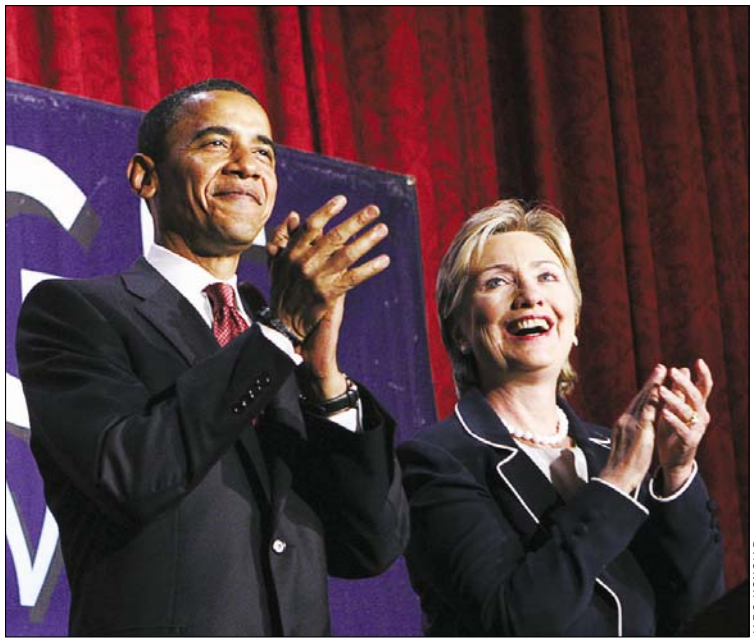
### In symbolic gesture, votes will be cast for senator at convention

WASHINGTON | Hillary Rodham Clinton's name will be placed in nomination along with nominee-in-waiting Barack Obama at the Democratic National Convention, an emblematic move intended to unite the party after a divisive primary.

During the Denver gathering, Democrats will officially choose Obama to run against Republican John McCain this fall, but the state delegations will do a traditional roll call for their nominee's vanquished primary opponent as well.

Obama and Clinton — fierce rivals then, reluctant allies now — agreed to the arrangement after weeks of negotiations between their respective aides. The two sides made the announcement Thursday in a collegial joint statement.

"I am convinced that honoring Sen. Clinton's historic campaign in this way will help us celebrate this defining moment in our history and bring the party together in a strong united fashion," said Obama, an Illinois senator.



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Democratic delegates will be allowed to cast votes for both Sen. Barack Obama and Sen. Hillary Clinton at the upcoming Democratic Party convention in Denver.

Added Clinton, a New York senator: "With every voice heard and the party strongly united, we will elect Sen. Obama president of the United States and put our nation on the path to peace and prosperity once again."

The move is intended to ensure a convention free of rancor and help the Democratic Party heal after a bruising primary. The goal also is to mollify still-disgruntled Clinton backers and acknowledge the former first lady's groundbreaking presidential run.

Obama's campaign said he encouraged Clinton's name to be placed in nomination to show unity and recognize her accomplishment.

While Democrats say the mechanics of how that will play out still are being determined, Clinton — herself a superdelegate who gets a vote — is expected to release her delegates to Obama, announce her support for him and ask her backers to do the same.

Obama finished the primary season with a 364-delegate lead over Clinton. Obama had 2,254 delegates, to 1,890 for Clinton, according to an Associated Press tally. LIZ SIDOTI (AP)

## U.S. Traffic Deaths at 10-Year-Low

WASHINGTON | Traffic deaths in the United States declined last year, reaching the lowest level in more than a decade, the government reported Thursday.

About 41,059 people were killed in highway crashes, down by more than 1,600 from 2006. It was the fewest number of highway deaths in a year since 1994.

The fatality rate of 1.37 deaths for every 100 million miles traveled in 2007 was the lowest on record, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration said in its report.

One negative trend is an increase in motorcycle deaths, which rose to 5,154 last year, the report said. (AP)

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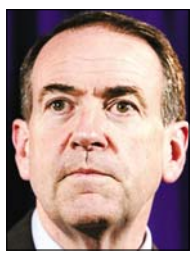

"I think that there are better [running mate] choices for Sen. McCain that will have the approval of values voters."

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# Shooting of Ark. Chairman a Mystery

## Search of gunman's home turns up guns, keys, antidepressants

LITTLE ROCK, ARK. | The man who fatally shot the chairman of the state Democratic Party after he lost his job had a Post-it note at home with the victim's last name and phone number along with 14 guns, antidepressants, and a last will and testament, according to court documents.

Police said Thursday they know of no relationship between gunman Timothy Dale Johnson, 50, and Bill Gwatney, 48, a car dealer and former state senator who served as the state's Democratic Party chairman. Johnson fatally shot Gwatney Wednesday and was killed by officers after a 30-minute chase.

Johnson

The search of Johnson's home turned up two sets of keys for vehicles from Gwatney's car lots.

Police Lt. Terry Hastings said officers didn't know what to make of the note, and police didn't disclose the phone number or say whether it was for the party headquarters or a car dealership.

"Right now we don't have any indication of motive as far as it deals with Mr. Gwatney," Hastings said. Little Rock police were going through a computer that was seized from Johnson's home.

Wreathes and flowers lined the sidewalk in front of Arkansas' Democratic Party headquarters Thursday. The day before, Johnson — after losing his job at a Target store in Conway — drove more than 30 miles and fatally shot Gwatney.

Johnson had been a good employee in a Target stockroom until Wednesday, a Target spokeswoman said. ANDREW DEMILLO (AP)

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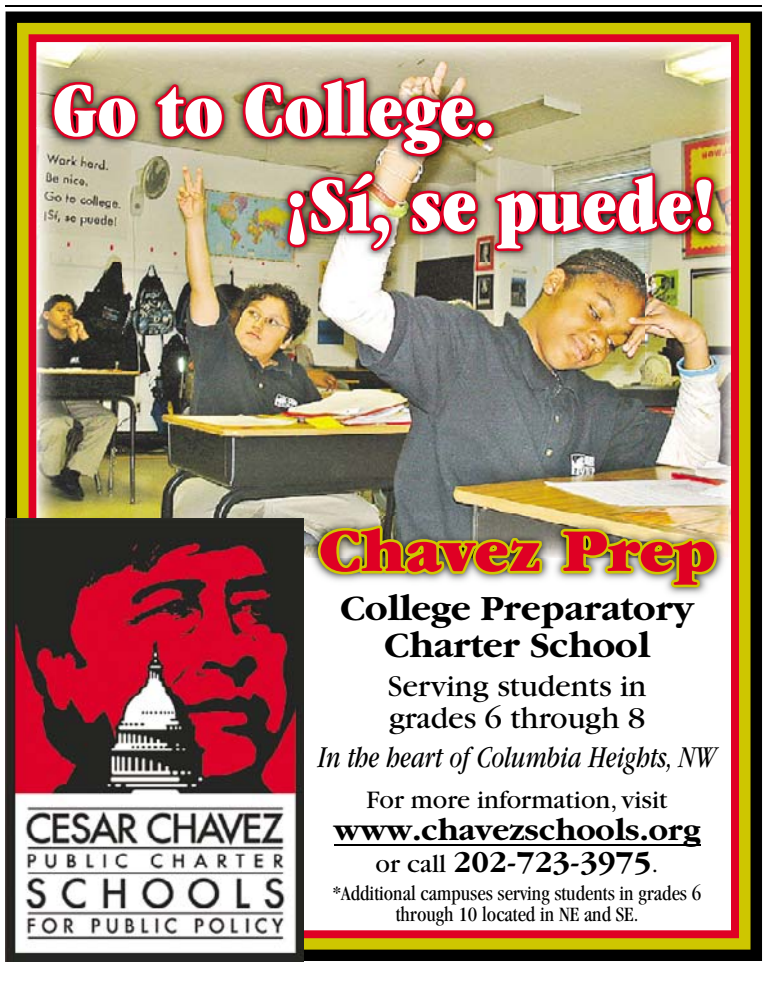

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## Nation

**BEDTIME POLITICS:** Add another book to the pile from this year's presidential campaign, although this one is an especially quick and easy read. The children's book, "My Dad, John McCain," written by the candidate's 23-year-old daughter Meghan, will hit bookstores soon.

# Chicago Suburb Won't Go Quietly

## Airport expansion has residents fighting to save their homes

BENSENVILLE, ILL. | White picket fences, neatly cut lawns and backyard swing sets belie the eerie reality about Arlene Bensen's neighborhood: Nearly everyone is gone.

The reason is easily found on official notices affixed to block after block of front doors in this otherwise picture-perfect Chicago suburb. "NO TRESPASSING," they read. "This property has been acquired for the O'Hare Modernization Program."

Bensen, who has lived here for 52 years, is one of about 20 homeowners who refuse to move so crews can start demolishing more than 600 houses to make way for a $15 billion expansion of one of the world's busiest airports.

BRIAN JACKSON/AP

Bob Rackow, 73, is a resident of an area of Bensenville, Ill., that is now largely owned by the city of Chicago as part of the planned expansion of O'Hare Airport.

"If they start bulldozing homes, I won't leave," said Bensen, who is 74. "I'll put on my respirator and close my doors."

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The holdouts in this village of 20,000 are at the center of a David-and-Goliath battle against Chicago, which invoked eminent domain and other laws to seize 15 percent of Bensenville for improvements at O'Hare International Airport.

The community has spent nearly $10 million fighting the O'Hare expansion since the 1990s, but its options are running out. A judge gave Chicago the green light last week to begin demolitions, rejecting claims that the work could scatter deadly toxins. But that decision has now been put on hold for 30 days to give Bensenville time to appeal.

The exasperated Bensenville mayor said his village simply can't match the might of the nation's third-largest city. "Is it frustrating that the clock now appears to be in the eleventh hour? Absolutely," Mayor John Geils said.

Chicago officials say the expansion project is necessary to reduce delays at O'Hare. The city insists it will not scale back the project to save homes in Bensenville.

"Not a chance," said Rosemarie Andolino, head of the O'Hare Modernization Program. "This is about a national aviation process — a bigger picture ... and the only way to solve the problem of delays and congestion is to build the full project." MICHAEL TARM (AP)


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# World

"Imagine taking power Aug. 15 and finding no medications or diesel fuel. It is a country that could go up in flames within two or three months."

—**Fernando Lugo**, who becomes Paraguay's president Friday and says he hopes to avoid political chaos.

## Confusion Reigns in Georgian Cities

### Georgia says Russian troops advancing as U.S. urges cease-fire

GORI, GEORGIA | High hopes plummeted into fearful confusion in key Georgian cities Thursday as Russian troops appeared ready to pull out, then returned. Georgia's government said Russian tanks and other vehicles advanced toward the country's second-largest city but later stopped dozens of miles away.

Russia's Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov, meanwhile, said the world "can forget about" Georgia's getting back its two separatist provinces. And President Bush demanded that Russia respect the "territorial integrity" of Georgia and urged it to honor a European-brokered cease-fire plan to end fighting that has displaced about 100,000 people.

Mikhail Saakashvili, speaking to foreign reporters in an appeal for international intervention, said a Russian armored convoy was moving toward the city of Kutaisi. Kutaisi, the country's No. 2 city, is near central Georgia — not close to the separatist provinces of Abkhazia and South Ossetia where fighting has erupted in recent days.

SERGEI GRITS/AP

An 82-year-old resident of the evacuated village of Plavi, Georgia, comforts her 3-year-old grandson on the steps of the Department of Refugees in Tbilisi, Georgia, on Thursday. The fighting in Georgia has displaced about 100,000 people.

Georgian Prime Minister Lado Gurgenidze said it was "a rather large column of Russian armor, over 100 pieces." He said it had departed from the city of Zugdidi.

"We have no idea what they're doing there, why the movement, where they're going," he said in a telephone briefing. "One explanation could be they are trying to rattle the civilian population."

Later, a Georgian Foreign Ministry spokesman said the troops were in the western city of Senaki, about 35 miles from Kutaisi. The spokesman was not authorized to be named. A Georgian government statement said the convoy had stopped in a village near Senaki.

There was no immediate response from Russia to the claims. Both sides have announced conflicting versions of events since the fighting broke out Aug. 7, when Georgia sought to retake breakaway South Ossetia and Russia responded with retaliation. CHRISTOPHER TORCHIA (AP)

## Poland, U.S. Reach Deal On Missiles

### Plan to boost Poland's defenses sparks fears of European arms race

WARSAW, POLAND | Poland and the United States struck a deal that will see a missile defense battery in the ex-communist state and deepen military ties, a plan that has infuriated Moscow and sparked fears in Europe of a new arms race.

"We have crossed the Rubicon," Polish Prime Minister Donald Tusk said Thursday, referring to U.S. consent to Poland's demands after more than 18 months of talks.

In an interview on news channel TVN24, Tusk said the U.S. had agreed to help augment Poland's defenses with Patriot missiles in exchange for placing 10 missile defense interceptors in the Eastern European country.

He said the deal also includes a "mutual commitment" between the two nations to come to each other's assistance "in case of trouble."

The clause on mutual assistance appeared to be in direct reference to Russia, which has threatened to aim missiles toward Poland — a former Soviet satellite — if it agreed to host the U.S. site. VANESSA GERA (AP)

## Syria, Lebanon OK Border Talks

DAMASCUS, SYRIA | Syria agreed Thursday to begin negotiations with Lebanon on demarcating their border, making its second concession in two days to longtime demands from the Lebanese as they seek to normalize relations with their dominant larger neighbor.

Formally setting the border is a key symbolic move recognizing Lebanon's sovereignty, as was Syria's agreement a day earlier for the two nations to establish diplomatic relations for the first time.

But the agreements won't mean an end to Syrian influence in Lebanon, and some Lebanese remain concerned that the Damascus regime will continue to try to exercise power over its neighbor. (AP)

## Suicide Blast Kills 17 Shiites in Iraq

### Female attacker targets pilgrims traveling to major religious festival

BAGHDAD | A female suicide bomber struck Shiite pilgrims south of Baghdad on Thursday, killing at least 17 people and wounding scores of others after the government announced new measures to protect worshippers ahead of a major religious festival.

The female bomber detonated her explosives among a group of pilgrims resting by the side of a road in Iskandariyah, a former Sunni insurgent stronghold 30 miles south of Baghdad.

Women were cooking dinner, men were praying and children were playing nearby when the attacker struck, a witness said.

AHMED AL-HUSSEINI/AP

An Iraqi soldier watches as Shiites arrive for a festival in Karbala, Iraq.

"Minutes after I passed the resting spot, I heard a big explosion. I turned my head and saw big flames," said Ahmed al-Saadi, a 34-year-old carpenter from Baghdad's Sadr City district. "We rushed to the scene and saw charred bodies, while wounded people were crying for help."

There were conflicting casualty tolls, as is common in such attacks in which bodies are mangled.

The pilgrims were marching to the Shiite holy city of Karbala, 50 miles south of Baghdad, to celebrate the birth of Mohammed al-Mahdi, the 12th Shiite imam who disappeared in the ninth century.

Also on Thursday, the U.S. military announced that six Navy guards face trial for allegedly assaulting prisoners and releasing pepper spray into a cellblock following a disturbance at the main U.S. prison in Iraq. ROBERT H. REID (AP)

**ISRAEL** | CLIFF-HANGER

MUHAMMED MUHEISEN/AP

**FREE FALL:** An Israeli Arab boy jumps into the water in the port of Akko, Israel, on Thursday.

**BLAME IT ON TECHNOLOGY:** Britain's second-largest city, Birmingham, recently distributed 720,000 leaflets that praised residents for exceeding recycling targets — featuring a photograph of Birmingham, Ala. Officials said the wrong image was selected from an Internet photo archive.



# 'Green Sahara' Uncovered in Niger

## Cemetery sheds light on 2 ancient societies and region's lush past

A tiny woman and two children were laid to rest on a bed of flowers 5,000 years ago in what is now the barren Sahara Desert.

The slender arms of the youngsters were still extended to the woman in perpetual embrace when researchers discovered their skeletons in a remarkable cemetery that is providing clues to two civilizations that lived there, a thousand years apart, when the region was moist and green.

Paul Sereno of the University of Chicago and colleagues were searching for the remains of dinosaurs in Niger when they came across the startling find, detailed at a news conference Thursday at the National Geographic Society.

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>
> **PAUL SERENO**, RESEARCHER

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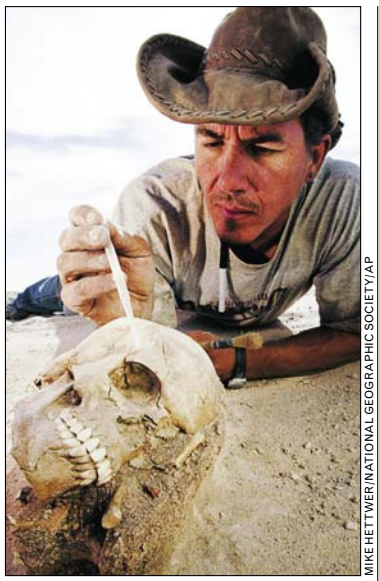

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Researcher Paul Sereno examines a skull found in Niger's Sahara Desert.

About 200 graves of humans who lived between 10,000 and 4,500 years ago were found at the site — near what would have been a lake — in 2005 and 2006, as well as remains of animals, fish and crocodiles.

"Everywhere you turned, there were bones belonging to animals that don't live in the desert," said Sereno. "I realized we were in the green Sahara."

The researchers used radiocarbon dating to determine when ancient people lived there. Even the most recent were about 1,000 years before the building of the pyramids in Egypt.

The finds are detailed in reports in Thursday's edition of the journal PLoS One and in September's National Geographic Magazine.

RANDOLPH E. SCHMID (AP)

MAHMUD TURKIA/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

U.S. and Libyan officials shake hands after settling U.S. lawsuits Thursday.

# U.S., Libya Settle All Outstanding Terror Lawsuits

TRIPOLI, LIBYA | Libya and the United States settled all outstanding lawsuits by American victims of terrorism on Thursday, clearing the way for the full restoration of diplomatic relations.

There were 26 pending lawsuits filed by American citizens against Libya for the 1988 bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland, and other attacks, said a senior Libyan government official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The official said there were also three outstanding lawsuits filed by Libyan citizens for U.S. airstrikes on Tripoli and Benghazi in 1986.

The settlement completes a nearly five-year effort to rebuild ties between the two countries.(AP)

# IOC Urges China Not to Block Press

## Activists say protest zones are traps — not places for free speech

BEIJING | The International Olympic Committee urged China Thursday to allow foreign reporters at the Beijing Games to report freely after a British journalist trying to cover a protest was allegedly roughed up by police.

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Meanwhile, activists complained that protest zones designated by Beijing organizers were set up as a way to catch dissidents — not let them speak out. At least one person who applied to protest in one of the parks was detained by police.

ALEXANDER F. YUAN/AP

People sit in Ritan Park, one of three Beijing parks that was designated as a protest zone, on Thursday. There has been no sign of demonstrations at any of the parks.

The IOC was peppered with questions Thursday about an incident the day before in which a British TV journalist said he was dragged into a police van while trying to cover an unauthorized rally. Police said they thought he was a protester.

IOC spokeswoman Giselle Davies said the committee disapproves of "any attempts to hinder a journalist who is going about doing his job seemingly within the rules."

In its bid to win the Olympics, China promised to loosen some aspects of its autocratic rule, including allowing the media to report freely. It set up three protest parks, in a gesture toward greater free speech.

But it said would-be protesters would have to request permission in advance. As of Thursday, there had been no sign of protests at the parks.

ROHAN SULLIVAN (AP)

**WHO KNEW?** The terms "credit crunch," "carbon footprint" and "wardrobe malfunction" will be included in the new version of the British Chambers Dictionary, the publisher announced on Thursday. (AP)


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# Money

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A customer shops at a Wal-Mart in San Jose, Calif. The cost of nearly everything, from food to clothing, is rising in the U.S.

# Inflation Hits 17-Year High

## Consumer prices rise 0.8 percent, double the amount expected

WASHINGTON | Inflation is running at the fastest pace in 17 years, the job market is under further strain and foreclosure filings are surging.

A raft of gloomy economic data on Thursday represented a setback for those hoping to see signs of better times ahead, and it may keep the Federal Reserve jammed between rising inflation and slowing growth.

The Labor Department reported that consumer prices shot up by 0.8 percent in July, double the increase that economists had expected. The rise was only slightly lower than the 1.1 percent surge in June that had been the second-highest monthly increase in the last 26 years.

The big gains left inflation increasing by 5.6 percent over the past year, the largest 12-month jump since the period ending in January 1991.

Core inflation, which excludes volatile food and energy costs, rose 0.3 percent in July, slightly more than the 0.2 percent increase that economists had expected. For the past 12 months, core inflation has risen by 2.5 percent, the highest 12-month change since February.

The biggest price pressures came in the energy and food sectors, just as they have all year. But the price gains spread to other areas, too — clothing costs jumped by the largest amount in a decade, airline fares rose sharply, and the cost of hotel rooms and tobacco products also climbed.

"For the average American, these inflation numbers are very bad news. It means that their purchasing power has been cut and their wages aren't going very far," said Mark Zandi, chief economist at Moody's Economy.com.

Indeed, the Labor Department said in a separate report that average weekly wages, after adjusting for inflation, fell by 3.1 percent in July compared to a year ago, the biggest year-over-year decline since November 1990. MARTIN CRUTSINGER (AP)

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"I am very disappointed. [in Random House]. ... This is censorship by fear, and it sets a very bad precedent indeed."

—SALMAN RUSHDIE, AUTHOR, ON RANDOM HOUSE'S DECISION TO PULL A NOVEL ABOUT THE PROPHET MUHAMMAD AND HIS CHILD BRIDE OVER FEARS OF ANGERING MUSLIMS.

## Clue Gets a Generational Face-Lift

NEW YORK | Goodbye, professor. Farewell, colonel.

Toy maker Hasbro has updated its classic Clue game for today's tabloid culture to include younger characters, more weapons and new rooms, including a spa and guesthouse.

The six characters' last names remain the same, but their first names and bios have been updated. For example, Miss Scarlet is now Kasandra Scarlet, a famous actress often featured in tabloids. And Mr. Green is now Jacob Green, a blak man "with all the ins."

Hasbro has previously updated Clue — first created in 1949 — with an express version and a Simpsons version, but the new incarnation will be a replacement for the original version of the game. (AP)

**END OF AN ERA:** Virginia Commonwealth University President Eugene P. Trani, who presided over an extraordinary period of expansion during his 19-year tenure, said on Thursday he is stepping down from his post a year early, after undergoing quintuple heart bypass surgery in July.

# Local

**WASHINGTON** | SUMMER CAMP WITH A BEAT

SARAH L. VOISIN/TWP

**THE FUTURE OF ROCK:** Chloe Lewis, 8, center, of Annandale Va., throws her arms in the air at Girls Rock! DC Thursday, a one-week rock 'n' roll day camp for girls ages 8 to 18 at Kingsbury Day School in D.C. The camp ends with a showcase at the 9:30 Club Saturday that will run from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

# DMV Scammer Sentenced

## Accomplice in D.C. driver's license scheme to serve 18 months

A D.C. Department of Motor Vehicles employee was sentenced Thursday to 18 months in federal prison for illegally doling out about 200 driver's licenses to people not entitled to them.

Patricia E. Gonzalez, 39, who pleaded guilty in May to receiving a bribe for her role in the scheme, cooperated with authorities from the day they first approached her in January.

U.S. District Judge Richard J. Leon cited that help as the reason Gonzalez received less prison time than another member of the scheme who he sentenced on Tuesday to two years behind bars. That woman, Gloria Gonzalez-Paz, 35, had admitted to being an intermediary who charged people between $1,000 and $1,700 to obtain the licenses from Gonzalez.

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- Authorities caught on to the scheme when they received a call last year from New York authorities who had arrested a man in a truck hijacking ring. That man had received one of the licenses issued by Gonzalez, prosecutors wrote in court documents.
- FBI agents approached Gonzalez at her Georgetown DMV office on Jan. 9, and she admitted her role in the scheme and agreed to cooperate.

Gonzalez, the mother of six children, said she was sorry. "There is not a day that I don't regret what happened," she told Leon before the judge issued his sentence.

The DMV employee admitted that she issued about 200 driver's licenses from October 2005 through January to immigrants, some of whom were in the country illegally. She did not make them complete driving exams or road tests. She often did not require them to complete applications or present documentation to verify their identities.

Gonzalez also admitted to circumventing DMV security systems that were designed to prevent licenses from being issued to people not entitled to them.

DEL QUENTIN WILBER (THE WASHINGTON POST)

# 2 Fatally Shot Near Union Station

Two people were fatally shot Thursday morning a few blocks from Union Station, in a part of the city that is targeted for redevelopment.

Police said they received a report of gunshots about 10 a.m. at K Street NW and First Terrace, near North Capitol Street. Officers found two victims, both men, behind an abandoned apartment building.

One man was pronounced dead at the scene. The other was taken to a hospital, where he died shortly afterward. Police said they are still working to confirm the identities of the men and notify family members. Both victims were believed to be in their mid-20s to late 30s.

PAUL DUGGAN (THE WASHINGTON POST)

# The Lotteries

**Thursday, Aug. 14**

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| Mid-day Lucky Numbers | 3-9-7 |
| Evening Lucky Numbers (Wed.) | 0-8-7 |
| Mid-day DC 4 | 2-6-9-3 |
| Evening DC 4 (Wed.) | 0-8-7-1 |
| Rolling Cash Five (Wed.) | 12-15-16-19-22 |
| Daily 6 (Wed.) | 2-5-12-21-23-37 Bonus: 33 |
| Hot Lotto (Wed.) | 13-22-26-33-35 (1) |

**MARYLAND**

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| Mid-day Pick 3 | 0-7-6 |
| Evening Pick 3 (Wed.) | 3-6-4 |
| Mid-day Pick 4 | 9-9-6-3 |
| Evening Pick 4 (Wed.) | 4-1-8-1 |
| Match 5 (Wed.) | 4-11-24-27-39 Bonus: 16 |
| Lotto (Wed.) | 2-5-8-15-16-35 |

**VIRGINIA**

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| Mid-day Pick 3 (Thurs.) | 1-5-2 |
| Evening Pick 3 (Wed.) | 6-3-0 |
| Mid-day Pick 4 (Thurs.) | 5-5-1-8 |
| Evening Pick 4 (Wed.) | 4-7-6-4 |
| Mid-day Cash 5 (Thurs.) | 12-15-24-28-29 |
| Evening Cash 5 (Wed.) | 2-12-16-21-26 |
| Win for Life (Wed.) | 3-13-16-22-24-42 |

**MULTI-STATE GAMES**

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| Powerball (Wed.) | 5-10-19-23-31 (26) |
| Power Play | 4X |

All winning numbers are official only when validated at a lottery ticket location or a lottery claims office. Drawings that occur after Express's deadline will be published two days later.

Sunday in The Washington Post

# Change of Pace

## Breaking from your normal routine can be a healthy practice

IN SUNDAY SOURCE | We love our routines: Wake up, brush teeth, update Facebook status about brushing teeth, work, go to the gym, update Facebook status about going to the gym. Can you sense a rut here?

It's easy to get stuck in the rotation of everyday life, but every now and then you have to thrust yourself out of it and dabble your tootsies in fresh waters. Just as working out pushes your body to be stronger, faster and healthier, trying something outside your comfort zone can provide a much-needed jolt to the brain. Your perspective dilates. Confidence puffs. Possibilities abound.

JOHN MAYNARD/TWP

WUSA co-anchor Lesli Foster recently tried karaoke for the first time and did well.

And — this is the biggie — studies have found that trying new activities establishes new neural connections, a process that could eventually help counter the effects of Alzheimer's disease says Joseph Mancusi, a clinical psychologist and president of the Center for Organizational Excellence in Sterling.

Here's another good reason to ditch your routine: Truly successful people explore beyond the couch-potato life and readily take on new challenges, Mancusi says. Which might be why the successful Washingtonians I approached about trying something new were game to explore uncharted territory.

"I'm safety-zone girl," Lesli Foster says. It's a little tough to believe, given that she banters live on air as a WUSA news co-anchor twice every weeknight in front of tens of thousands of viewers. "You don't see your audience, and you're not getting feedback from them instantly," she insists. Fair enough. Still, she has agreed to be thrust in front of a live crowd for karaoke at Cafe Japone in Dupont Circle.

There's no stage at the restaurant, so Foster, who looks downright sassy in an off-the-shoulder number and is much smaller than I thought, simply stands up when her song comes on, grabs the mic from the sushi bar and starts singing, occasionally peeking at the lyrics on the teleprompter two feet away. Despite her nerves (and without an ounce of liquid courage), she choreographs her own dance moves and works the drunk and drunker crowd through not one but two songs ("Girls Just Wana to Have Fun" and "Stop! In the Name of Love"). And she sounds good.

Would she do it again? Well, probably not. She is trying to be more of a risk taker, however, and did enjoy having done karaoke ("when it was over," she adds). She also agrees that you grow when you do something you find uncomfortable. RACHEL MACHACEK (SPECIAL TO THE WASHINGTON POST)

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OLYMPIC TENNIS

**Upsetting Day**: James Blake shocks Roger Federer, while the Williams sisters are eliminated in Beijing. | 13

# Sports Weekend

PRESTON KERES / TWP; DREW HALLOWELL / GETTY IMAGES

Running backs Ladell Betts, left, and Clinton Portis saw their first preseason game last week — with both scoring. The backs will be asked to catch the ball more this season.

# Backs in Action

## Redskins runners will be used more in the passing game this year

REDSKINS | Longtime Redskins fans may want to brace themselves.

Joe Gibbs won three Super Bowls in his first stint in Washington — and, more recently, reached the playoffs twice — by relying on running backs to run the ball down the opponent's throat.

Rookie Redskins head coach Jim Zorn, on the other hand, relies on the passing game to drive his West Coast offense. But Gibbs enthusiasts and fantasy football geeks can rest assured: The new offense won't stifle the running game. But it may make the running backs a threat on the receiving end as well.

"We're not being overshadowed," said Pro Bowl running back Clinton Portis. "I think it just turned into a team game. I think we're still going to get all our opportunities and get our looks, and we're going to be a vital force in the passing game."

While some offenses rely on establishing the run first to open up the passing game, the West Coast offense is a pass-first, run-second scheme. It features short screens and slant routes designed to spread the defense out horizontally and make holes up the middle through which to run the ball.

Running back Ladell Betts thinks the new pass-heavy offense will open things up for the running backs to contribute in the air as well as on the ground.

"Everybody is a live receiver in this type of offense," said Betts. "We got four or five guys going out and any one person can get it depending on what the defensive coverage is, and I think that's a good thing."

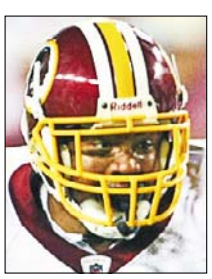
While the passing game may be deemed the new feature of the offense, the first two preseason games were won in typical Gibbs fashion — by running the ball. Even with Portis and Betts sitting out the first preseason game against the Indianapolis Colts, Redskins runners have rushed for 311 yards in the exhibition season heading into Saturday's game against the New York Jets.

"Every team in the NFL is running the same plays: gut, power stretch, toss, dive and draw," said Portis. "It's just how you do them."

JOE BUBAR

### LOCAL IS BACK IN THE RUNNING

**Nobody expected Redskins backup running back Marcus Mason to run for nearly 100 yards, let alone do it twice:**



→ But after rushing for 98 yards against the Colts, the Georgetown Prep alumnus stomped over the Bills for 80 yards on 16 carries last Saturday. Now the pressure is on head coach Jim Zorn to keep Mason, who was on the Redskins' practice squad last year, on the active roster. "He's done his job, and now we have to make very difficult decision as we go along," Zorn said. Ultimately, Mason's future may rest with how many backs the team keeps. J.B.

## TV Lineup

AP

Nationals manager Manny Act has had it up to here with the team's losses.

### friday

→ **7:35 P.M.:** Two underachieving baseball teams square off when the Washington Nationals host the Colorado Rockies. MASN/20

→ **2 P.M.:** Pool play of the Little League World Series kicks off when the Midwestern division winners face the Southeastern division winners in Williamsport, Pa. ESPN

→ **8 P.M.:** The Oakland Raiders' first-round pick in this year's draft, two-time Heisman runner-up Darren McFadden, makes his national TV debut when his team faces the Tennessee Titans in preseason. FOX

### saturday

→ **3:30 P.M.:** Aces take the mound when John Lackey of the L.A. Angels faces Fausto Carmona and the Cleveland Indians. FOX

→ **7:05 P.M.:** The Orioles square off against Justin Verlander and the Detroit Tigers. MASN2

→ **7:05 P.M.:** Ex-National Livan Hernandez will pitch for the Rockies in D.C. in the middle game of a three-game series. MASN/my20

### sunday

→ **1 P.M.:** NASCAR's best head the Michigan International Speedway for the 3M Performance 400. ESPN

→ **1:30 P.M.:** The Nats and Rockies wrap up their series. MASN2

→ **3 P.M.:** Andy Roddick is a favorite to still be playing in the championship match of D.C.'s Legg Mason tournament. ESPN2

NATIONALS | **Bad Sign** Right-hander Aaron Crow, taken by the Washington Nationals with the ninth overall pick in baseball's amateur draft, has signed with the Fort Worth Cats of the American Association. The Cats said Thursday that the Big 12 pitcher of the year would pitch out of the bullpen unless he agrees to a deal with the Nationals before Friday's midnight deadline for draft picks to sign. If Washington fails to sign Crow, it would get an extra pick in the first round of next year's draft. Crow was 13-0 with a 2.35 ERA for Missouri last season. (AP)

# Redskins Go to the Circus

## Favre will be the star attraction in preseason game against the Jets

**REDSKINS** | The Washington Redskins have already played in the Hall of Fame game. Now they have to face a future Hall of Famer.

Brett Favre makes his Big Apple debut when the New York Jets host the Washington Redskins on Saturday, and suddenly a ho-hum game on the preseason schedule has quite a bit of pizazz.

**7 P.M.** | Ch. 9
Saturday

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**BIG APPLES:** Mayor Michael Bloomberg is among the thousands to welcome Brett Favre to New York since Favre was traded.

"It's going to be a circus, no doubt," center Casey Rabach said. "A guy in his stature, what he's done in this league, to be on a new team now, it is going to be a media circus for that game."

The Redskins are familiar with Favre, having lost three times to him at Green Bay since 2001. It's their first preseason game against Favre since 1995, which they also lost. Still, it won't be the same with No. 4 wearing a different shade of green.

"I don't know how I'm going to react when I see Brett Favre in a Jets uniform," cornerback Shawn Springs said.

Coach Jim Zorn's job is to keep his team focused on the usual tasks of preseason — getting the starters some work, improving familiarity with the game plan and letting the backups vie for roster spots. The Redskins want to build on the progress seen in their 2-0 start that included a win over Indianapolis in the Hall of Fame game and last week's victory at home over Buffalo.

Even so, Zorn compared the upcoming experience to his days as an assistant coach with the Detroit Lions, when players on both sidelines would stop whatever they were doing to watch Barry Sanders carry the ball. He expects his players to show the same admiration for Favre.

"I fully expect our sideline to all be standing up," Zorn said, "watching him play when he is in."

And though Zorn figures Favre will only draw on perhaps 30 plays from his new team's scheme, it only takes one to beat the Redskins. (AP)

# Isner Feels at Home in D.C.

## Last year's finalist is once again faring well at Legg Mason Classic

**LEGG MASON TENNIS CLASSIC** | Last year, John Isner came from out of nowhere to reach the championship match of the Legg Mason Tennis Classic.

Now he's front and center — and he could be about to make another deep run.

Isner reached the quarterfinals of this year's event with a 6-4, 7-6 (4) win over another rising young American, Donald Young, on Wednesday at the event in Rock Creek Park.

On Friday night, Isner faces No. 2 seed Juan Martin del Potro, who got a scare from Israel's Dudi Sela but won in three sets.

Given the number of high seeds that were upset in the early rounds this week, Isner-Del Potro is likely to be one of the evening's top matches.

Del Potro comes in riding a 16-game winning streak, and Isner said the Argentine has "as much confidence as any player out there today."

But Isner said he's playing with a "nothing to lose mentality" fueled by last year's success in Washington — and by hitting 17 aces past Young on Wednesday.

RICHARD A. LIPSKI/TWP

John Isner will face No. 2 seed Juan Martin del Potro Friday night in D.C.

"I always feel like I play very well here," Isner said. "There's something about this court and the atmosphere in the stadium — I can see the ball real well."

Isner said he holds this tournament in high regard, citing it and the U.S. Open as "the two tournaments circled on my calendar this summer."

The tournament organizers seem to think highly of Isner as well, giving him top billing with Andy Roddick in their ads on the Metro and elsewhere in recent weeks.

JONATHAN TANNENWALD

**Later:** Thursday's matches at the Legg Mason Classic ended after deadline. For results | **Today's Post, Sports**

# Swengali

**OLYMPICS** | BY MATT SWENSON

## Olympic Spirit Is Made in USA

**IF IT'S NOT DEAD**, patriotism is certainly muted in this country a majority of the time.

Yet this first week of the Olympics has brought a noticeable, and refreshing, change.

If you're like me — and some may pity such souls — you are watching for two reasons: to see world-class athletes expertly perform feats we tried in gym class and to cheer on Americans.

Two prime examples were the historic men's 4x100-meter freestyle relay that the U.S. swim team won and the women's team gymnastics competition that the Chinese captured.

It was amazing not only that the Americans set a world record in the pool last Sunday night, but also that France's boasting motivated the team to a thrilling victory. There's nothing better than beating the French, is there?

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Oppositely, a loss to China's gymnasts has sparked more than a few whispers that Chinese gymnast He Kexin is 13, not 16, which would make her ineligible to compete. For the record, she doesn't look 13 — she looks 9 — but the budding rivalry between the democratic United States and communist China must have something to do with the bitterness.

Surely, the new wave of patriotism will diminish along with the Olympic torch a week from now. Then life can return to normal: Cowboys fans will have no place in D.C. and LeBron James will transform from an Olympic hero into a Wizards killer.

The Olympics are like a vacation from our typical rivalries. No wonder we're so into the spirit.

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## Medal Tracker

10 GOLD | 9 SILVER | 15 BRONZE

▲ **UNITED STATES** TOTAL: **34**

| COUNTRY | GOLD | SILVER | BRONZE | TOTAL |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| CHINA | 22 | 8 | 5 | 35 |
| SOUTH KOREA | 6 | 7 | 3 | 16 |
| AUSTRALIA | 5 | 4 | 7 | 16 |
| FRANCE | 2 | 7 | 6 | 15 |
| RUSSIA | 3 | 8 | 3 | 14 |
| ITALY | 6 | 4 | 3 | 13 |
| GERMANY | 7 | 2 | 3 | 12 |
| JAPAN | 5 | 3 | 3 | 11 |
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| NETHERLANDS | 1 | 2 | 4 | 7 |

## Record Breakers

**690.3**

**China's** Du Li was supposed to win the first gold of the Olympics. When she finished fifth, she considered dropping out of the games. She stuck around, though, and got a gold after all, winning the women's 50-meter, three-position rifle event and setting an Olympic record in points with 690.3.

## noted ...

### Mongolia Gold Rush

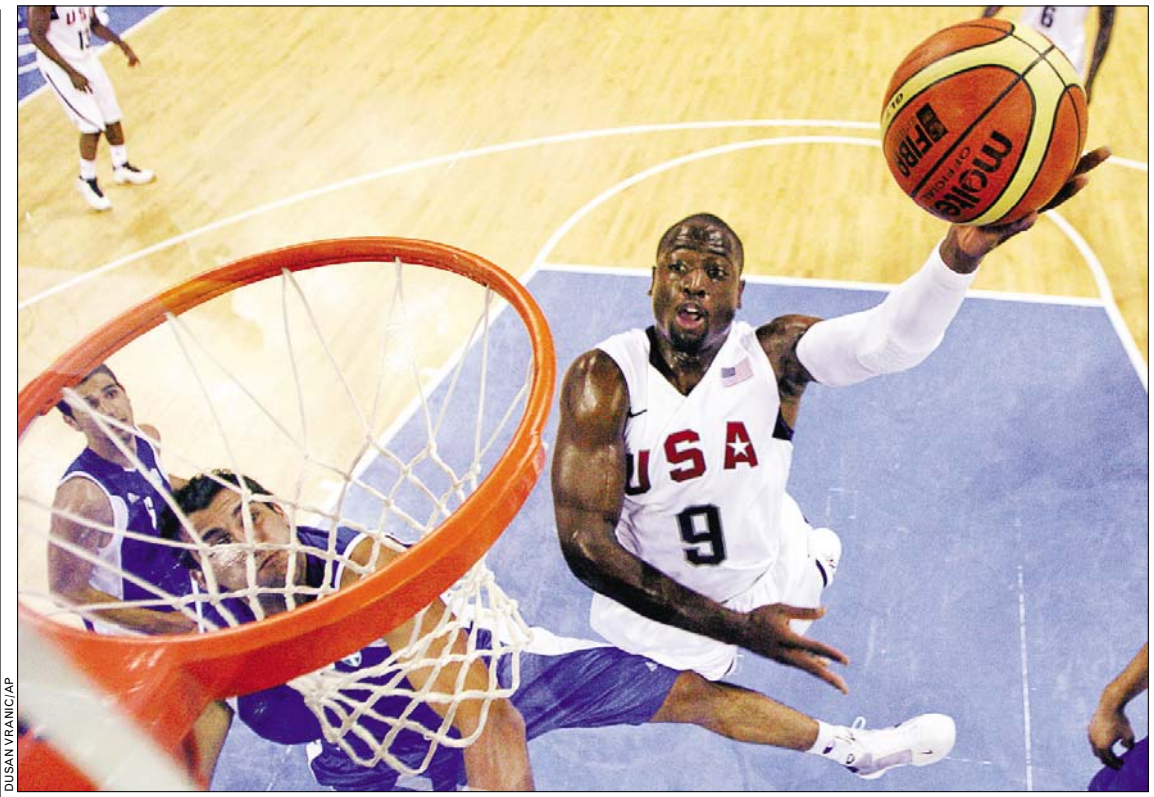
Mongolia won its first Olympic gold when Tuvshinbayar Naidan defeated Kazakhstan's Askhat — and after two Japanese contenders crashed with first-round losses on the judo mats Thursday.

### Worth the Wait

Not even a downpour could spoil the Olympic debut of the lone college kid on the U.S. baseball team — even if he had to wait 6½ hours to get the win. Stephen Strasburg carried a no-hit bid into the seventh inning and struck out 11 Thursday, helping the U.S. to a 7-0, rain-shortened win over the Netherlands.

# Team USA Gets Revenge

## Basketball squad sends a message with rout in rematch vs. Greece




DUSAN VRANIC/AP

Dwyane Wade and the U.S. turned what was supposed to be a tough game against Greece into a laugher on Thursday.

**OLYMPIC HOOPS** | It's official now. This is not Japan and the 2006 World Championships, not to mention Athens and the 2004 Olympics. This is Beijing and the 2008 Olympics, and the United States is back in men's basketball.

These Americans, who looked so lost two years ago in Japan, appear to have found their Olympic way in China.

Batting away balls or swatting shots on seemingly every possession late in the second quarter, the Americans broke open a close game and went on to a 92-69 victory over Greece Thursday night to clinch a spot in the medal round.

"We played like we wanted to win. We played together," U.S. guard Dwyane Wade said. "We were very aware of their offensive sets, we were very aware of their personnel and we played like that. So, we were kind of a step in front of what they wanted to do because we kind of knew everything already."

The Americans were also able to find the range on jump shots when the Greeks went to a zone defense to slow them down.

Kobe Bryant, who entered the game shooting just 37 percent in the first two games, was 7-for-14 from the field and finished with 18 points.

Chris Bosh also had 18 points, Wade added 17 and LeBron James had 13 for the United States (3-0), which moves on to a matchup of Group B unbeatens Saturday night against world champion Spain. The winner will earn the group's top seed for the quarterfinals.

Greece stunned the Americans two years ago in the semifinals of the 2006 world championships, shredding the U.S. defense for 63 percent shooting with clinical execution of its pick-and-roll offense in a 101-95 victory.

"We wanted to really keep the pressure on them. We wanted to kind of redeem ourselves," Bosh said. BRIAN MAHONEY (AP)

# Hoff, Ziegler Fall Short in the 800M

## Slow showings ensure U.S. will be shut out for 1st time in 28 years

**SWIMMING** | Katie Hoff pulled into the finish of the 800-meter freestyle gasping for air, her chest heaving as she clung to the starting block.

She was the last to leave the pool, with an official urging her to clear the way for the next preliminary heat. Finally, she did, but paused again to catch her breath on another block before making her way to the edge and climbing out slowly.

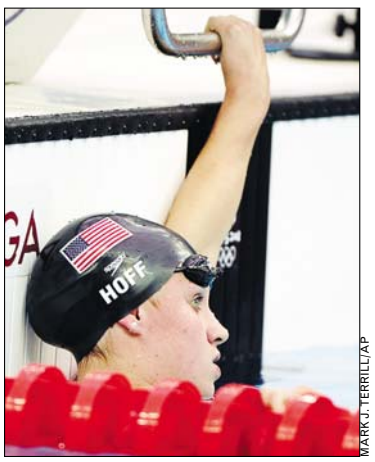
Hoff's second Olympics ended Thursday night with her and rookie teammate Kate Ziegler swimming too slowly to make the final, a stunning failure in an event the U.S. has dominated over the years.

"I don't think many people bet on that," Ziegler said.

The women weren't even close to reaching Saturday's eight-woman final, with Ziegler 10th and Hoff 11th — both were more than eight seconds off their personal best times.

The ouster ensured the U.S. a medals shutout in the grueling event for the first time in 28 years. Except for the 1980 boycott year and 1976, the U.S. won golds in five straight Olympics from 1984 to 2000.

"My heart really goes out to Katie," said Kirsty Coventry of Zimbabwe. "What she's feeling today is a little disappointment, because you know how much hard work you put in, and, for swimmers, the Olympics is it." BETH HARRIS (AP)




MARK J. TERRILL/AP

Katie Hoff leaves the Beijing Olympics with a silver and two bronze medals.

### Late Results

➜ Michael Phelps' quest for his sixth gold of these Olympics ended after Express' deadline, as did the individual women's gymnastics final. For results | **Today's Sports**

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# Tennis Serves Up Upsets

## Blake tops Federer in straight sets; Williams sisters are eliminated

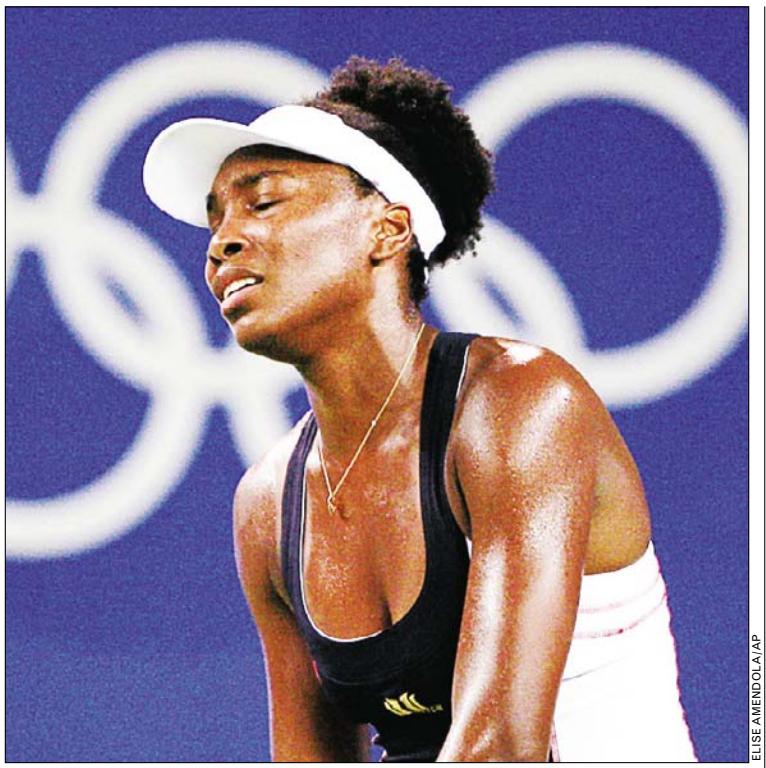
TENNIS | Roger Federer directed an angry scream toward his feet. He swatted a stray ball in frustration. He slapped his thigh, hung his head and stomped behind the baseline.

And, finally, he questioned calls, something he hates to do. That merely made him madder: He went 0-4 on replay challenges.

For Federer, it was that kind of night. It has been that kind of year.

Federer's long slump continued, and the bid for his first Olympic singles medal ended Thursday when he lost to American James Blake.

So began an upset parade in the quarterfinals. Serena Williams lost to Elena Dementieva of Russia, and as the clock approached midnight, Li Na of China beat Venus Williams.



ELISE AMENDOLA/AP

Venus Williams reacts to a disappointing day for her and sister Serena Williams at the Olympics. Both Americans lost in the quarterfinals, as did Roger Federer.

Matches were delayed 3 hours, 35 minutes at the start because of rain, pushing back the schedule. With four matches still in progress and top-ranked Jelena Jankovic about to begin against Dinara Safina, rain at 1:15 a.m. forced a halt until Friday.

The sequence of surprising results came in a tournament that had gone mostly according to form through three rounds. But upsets have long been the norm in Olympic tennis — since 1988, no top-five player has won the gold medal in men's singles.

Federer won't do it this year. With the sort of lackluster performance once unthinkable for the stylish Swiss, he was eliminated 6-4, 7-6 (2).

"If you play him enough times, he's bound to have an off day," Blake said. "I proved that I played with the best tonight, and it couldn't have happened to me on a better stage." STEVEN WINE (AP)

JEWEL SAMAD/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

American Becca Ward helped the U.S. win a bronze over France on Thursday.

## U.S. Fencers Duel to Bronze

FENCING | Sada Jacobson lunged at her opponent and landed one last touch. Then she walked off the strip, pausing briefly to encourage a teammate.

With that, Jacobson's work for American fencing was done.

Becca Ward took it from there, closing out a 45-38 win over France that gave the U.S. the bronze medal in women's team saber Thursday. It was a bittersweet win for Jacobson, who is retiring from the sport. "I'm disappointed. I really wanted that gold medal," Jacobson said. (AP)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**WATER POLO** | ITALY MAKES A SPLASH AT OLYMPICS

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**GOAL-ORIENTATED:** Italy's Valentino Gallo, right, scores against Chinese goalkeeper Ge Weiqing in a preliminary round of men's water polo at the Beijing Olympics Thursday. The 19-7 blowout win was the first of the Summer Games for Italy, as host China remained winless. Croatia is the only team with no losses or ties.

# U.S. Fears 'Battle' vs. Canadians

## Women's soccer team looks to avoid major upset in quarterfinals

OLYMPIC WOMEN'S SOCCER | U.S. women's soccer coach Pia Sundhage has only one fear when her defending champion team meets neighbor Canada in the Olympic quarterfinal on Friday.

"The most difficult thing is to avoid a battle," Sundhage said on Thursday, hoping that her players won't get caught up in a physical skirmish with the underdog Canadians when they meet in Shanghai.

The Americans have an overwhelming head-to-head advantage over the Canadians, having beaten them three times this year and once on penalties.

But this matchup has so much hanging on it. The Canadians would love more than anything to end the Americans' reign as Olympic champion. "We hope to play soccer and find a rhythm," said Sundhage, who wants her team to make sure they don't have to go into many bone-crunching tackles.

ROBERT MILLWARD (AP)

# Gymnast's Age in Question

## Chinese state paper said 'little girl' was 13 at an event last year

GYMNASTICS | Just nine months before the Beijing Olympics, the Chinese government's news agency, Xinhua, reported that gymnast He Kexin was 13, which would have made her ineligible to be on the team that won a gold medal this week.

In its Nov. 3 report, Xinhua identified He as one of "10 big new stars" who made a splash at China's Cities Games. It gave her age as 13 and reported that she beat Yang Yilin on the uneven bars at those games. In the final, "this little girl" pulled off a difficult release move on the bars known as the Li Na, named for another Chinese gymnast, Xinhua said in the report, which appeared on one of its Web sites, Hb.xinhuanet.com

FRANCK FIFE/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

China's He Kexin is on of the gymnasts whose ages have been questioned.

The Associated Press found the Xinhua report on the site Thursday morning and saved a copy of the page. Later that afternoon, the Web site was still working but the page was no longer accessible. Sports editors at the state-run news agency would not comment for publication.

If the age reported by Xinhua was correct, that would have meant He was too young to be on the Chinese team that beat the United States on Wednesday and clinched China's first women's team Olympic gold in gymnastics. He is also a favorite for gold in Monday's uneven bars final.

Yang was also on Wednesday's team. Questions have also been raised about her age and that of a third team member, Jiang Yuyuan.

Chinese authorities insist that all three are old enough to compete. JOHN LEICESTER (AP)

# Greco-Roman Wrestlers Are Bounced Early

OLYMPIC WRESTLING | Dremiel Byers and Brad Vering, the Americans' top Greco-Roman wrestlers, were bounced from the Olympics without a medal on Thursday as an already bad tournament got even worse for last year's world team champions.

Byers, a 2002 world champion kept off the 2004 U.S. team by two-time Olympic medalist Rulon Gardner, didn't reach an anticipated semifinal match against Cuba's Mijain Lopez after being a surprise loser to Sweden's Jaimar Sjoberg in the quarterfinals.

Sjoberg lost the first period 3-0 but won the next two by 1-1 scores when Byers couldn't turn him from the top position. It was a disappointing finish for a wrestler who nearly bumped Gardner off the Olympic team in 2004. (AP)

## what to watch

### men's swimming

**10:10 P.M.** Michael Phelps' largest obstacle in the 100 m butterfly may be his own teammate. Phelps finished first in the 100 m butterfly preliminaries, but the world record still belongs to fellow American Ian Crocker. NBC

**8 A.M.** Women's soccer, quarterfinal final, USA vs. Canada. TELEMUNDO
**9 P.M.** Men's shot put final. NBC
**10 P.M.** U.S. men's volleyball vs. China. NBC
**11 P.M.** Men's beach volleyball, men's round of 16, match 43. NBC
**12 A.M.** Women's softball, preliminaries, USA vs. Chinese Taipei. CNBC

# Entertainment Weekend

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**The Boys Are Back**: DJ Sam 'The Man' Burns and DJ Doug '95 North' Smith, both formerly of Red, will spin in Petworth tonight | **20**

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**OH, BABY:** Javier Bardem and Scarlett Johansson look so steamy in this "Vicky Cristina" scene, we wonder whether they're acting.

# Allen Intrigues

## Woody directs his best movie in years with a romantic romp

REDEMPTION | You should hate these people, really, these smug American yuppies chatting gaily about boating over red wine on a sun-splashed Spanish afternoon.

Somehow, Woody Allen makes us not just tolerate them but find ourselves engaged in their adventures in "Vicky Cristina Barcelona," his strongest film in awhile.

It's a romantic comedy, yes, in the writer-director's great tradition of absurdity and longing. It's an easy European romp, though it's surely superior to Allen's recent trilogy of London-based movies, "Match Point," "Scoop" and "Cassandra's Dream." But it's also tinged with melancholy, letting us know Allen isn't just mocking his characters but also feeling a certain amount of sympathy for them in their confusion.

What's fascinating is the juxtaposition he's created here: In obviously stilted, literary tones, his narrator describes his characters' every action and emotion, and yet they consistently act in impulsive, contradictory ways. These are civilized people, behaving badly but played straight by the actors, and that's the source of laughs. The construct would seem pretentious if Allen weren't undermining it at every turn.

Rebecca Hall and Scarlett Johansson, Allen's recent muse, co-star as best friends who couldn't be more different. Vicky (Hall) is a practical and structured student pursuing her master's degree in Catalan culture, and she's engaged to marry very proper, dull businessman Doug (Chris Messina). Cristina (Johansson), meanwhile, is a restless aspiring photographer who is fresh from a disastrous attempt at making a short film and yet another tumultuous breakup.

But both bright young women respond in surprising ways to sexy artist Juan Antonio (an irresistible Javier Bardem), a stranger who invites them to spend the weekend with him. Vicky thinks he's a Eurotrash cliche and tries to fend him off, but Cristina is intrigued. How things begin with him, though, aren't necessarily how they end, which is where the fun lies.

Penelope Cruz enters the picture, a force of nature as Juan Antonio's tempestuous ex-wife, Maria Elena. She's fiery and impossible to stop watching. It may be the best work of Cruz's career. Johansson will get all the attention, of course: Those lips! Those eyes! But "Barcelona" wouldn't be the same without Vicky or Cristina. Or Juan Antonio. And certainly not Maria Elena.

CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)

# It's Truly as Harmless as a Fly

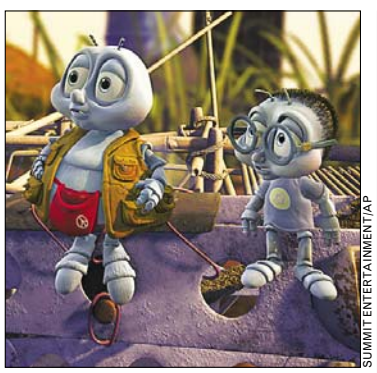
## New 3-D animated flick is more nerdy than entertaining

NICE TRY | A well-intentioned exercise at blending education and family entertainment, the 3-D animated tale "Fly Me to the Moon" ends up only mildly educational and not all that entertaining.

This story of three flies that tag along with Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins on Apollo 11 is reminiscent of the moment in "Apollo 13" when the TV networks decide against airing a live feed from the astronauts.

The reason? NASA had made space travel so routine, at least up till that moment on the ill-fated flight, that it became boring.

Likewise, despite its unusual story line, "Fly Me to the Moon" is on the cusp of boring." The movie centers on three young pals — adventurous Nat (voiced by Trevor Gagnon), science geek IQ (Philip Daniel Bolden) and tubby Scooter (David Gore) — who live near the Apollo launch site in Florida.



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Buzz-worthy? Maybe. But kids should remember flys aren't really this cute.

Nat's granddad (Christopher Lloyd) tells stories of past flying adventures that prompt Nat and his buddies to stow away on Apollo 11, complete with their own little fly spacesuits. An OK launch to the wave of 3-D animation coming to regular theaters in the next few years, "Fly Me to the Moon" ultimately is as harmless as a fly.

DAVID GERMAIN (AP)

# Got Plans?

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**Where in the District can I find some cheap and authentic West African food?**

It's been a long time since I've eaten there, but I remember the food at Bukom Café in Adams Morgan being pretty good. I have no idea how authentic it is, having never been to West Africa, but there you go. If you go, go early. Once the Adams Morgan party crowds set in, even the dining room gets crowded.

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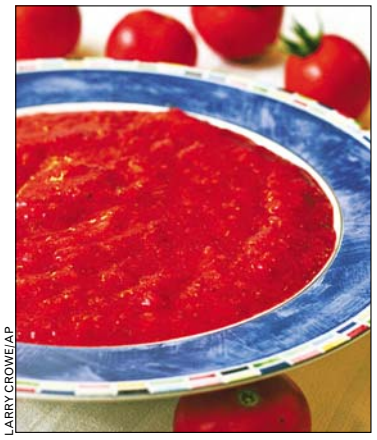

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D.C. restaurants are rife with gazpacho, best of all summery soups.

**Any ideas about where to get a good bowl of gazpacho?**

Cheesetique has a homemade gazpacho. You could also try Breadline, Taberna del Alabardero (which will be pricier) or Acadiana, which serves avocado ice cream with the soup to keep the chill in the bowl.

➜ *Cheesetique, 2403 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria; 703-706-5300.*

➜ *Breadline, 1751 Pennsylvania Ave. NW; 202-822-8900. (Farragut West)*

➜ *Taberna del Alabardero, 1776 I St. NW; 202-429-2200. (Farragut West)*

➜ *Acadiana, 901 New York Ave. NW; 202-408-8848. (Mt. Vernon Square)*

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# The Force Isn't Strong

## 'Clone Wars' doesn't add much depth to the 'Star Wars' saga

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**BRING IT:** Jedi Knight and Clone Army Gen. Obi-Wan Kenobi prepares to do battle in the "Star Wars: The Clone Wars."

GALACTIC | You'll know you're in a different galaxy within the first seconds of "Star Wars: The Clone Wars," which substitutes the Warner Bros. logo and theme music for the familiar 20th Century Fox searchlight and fanfare.

While anything remotely "Star Wars" potentially is a welcome trek for hard-core fans, however, it will be a mixed thrill, given that the saga returns to the big screen as a cartoon.

George Lucas' prequel trilogy was so overloaded with computer-generated imagery that the digital animation of "Clone Wars" isn't much of a leap. The somber tone of those three movies — chronicling the downfall of Anakin Skywalker from snotty, brooding teen to black-hearted Darth Vader — is gone, replaced with a variation of campy humor and camaraderie that characterized the original trilogy.

Still, a "Star Wars" movie should be an event. But whether because of its cartoony format or its relatively lightweight story, "Clone Wars" definitely is not an event.

For fans, it serves as a fairly promising introduction to the "Clone Wars" animated series debuting on Cartoon Network this fall. The movie centers on a fresh adventure of Anakin and his Jedi knight elder Obi-Wan Kenobi during the Clone Wars that have been so pivotal to "Star Wars" since the beginning — but about which we've heard so little.

There was a passing reference to this civil strife in 1977's "Star Wars" and a few glimpses of its onset in "Star Wars: Episode II: Attack of the Clones." The action here and in the TV series takes place between that movie and "Episode III: Revenge of the Sith," before Anakin goes bad.

The new movie sets up a seemingly bottomless well of story possibilities for the TV show. There are plenty of returning characters, new faces and bit players around which Lucas' team can build episodes, so the series won't be another 'Droids-versus-Clones battle every week.

Anakin (voiced by Matt Lanter) and Obi-Wan (James Arnold Taylor) start off in the heat of battle, leading a band of the Republic's clone soldiers against the comically inept android troops of a separatist movement led by the evil Count Dooku (Christopher Lee, reprising his live-action role).

To show Anakin's soft, mushy, pre-Vader side, he's given his own Jedi apprentice, Ahsoka Tano (Ashley Eckstein), a spunky alien girl who quickly forges a wisecracking bond with her stoic mentor.

The two are assigned to lead a rescue of giant slug crimelord Jabba the Hutt's squishy, squirmy baby Hutt, who has been kidnapped in a conspiracy that gives all our familiar prequel heroes a part to play.

While the movie has a huge body count as ray guns and light sabers flash, "Clone Wars" comes off as rather cute overall. The Shakespearean tragedy of Anakin's transformation into Vader behind him, Lucas turns his gang loose to be merry, even silly.

Again, that tone probably will work better in the shorter TV installments. In theaters, it makes for a reasonably fun if generally forgettable story, at least in terms of the grand-opera standards of the live-action "Star Wars" films.

DAVID GERMAIN (AP)

# Wilson Mopes Yet Again

## 'Henry Poole' tells the tale of a man forced to face a miracle

LAKESHORE ENTERTAINMENT

Which pouts better: his brows or chin?

HO-HUM | Luke Wilson plays the title character in the poignant comedy "Henry Poole Is Here." (Initially, Jim Carrey was attached to the role but dropped out.) Wilson says he was attracted to Albert Torres' script because, "inasmuch as there's a comedic tone to the story, it's very engaging emotionally."

Henry is a disillusioned man who returns to the suburban Los Angeles neighborhood of his youth to hide from life, which has taken a downward turn. Instead, he is introduced to a trio of life-changing female neighbors: a well-meaning busybody named Esperanza (Adriana Barraza), a solemn 8-year-old named Millie (newcomer Morgan Lily) and Millie's divorced mom, Dawn (Radha Mitchell). Esperanza discovers a stain on a wall of Henry's stucco home that appears to have miraculous powers. Soon she is leading pilgrimages to the "holy site."

As the crowd grows, Henry is drawn back into the world. "I like playing a guy who definitely doesn't believe and then is kind of forced into all," says Wilson. ANGELA DAWSON (ENTERTAINMENT NEWSWIRE)

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## Nightlife Agenda

**WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO TONIGHT?** BY FRITZ HAHN, RHOME ANDERSON AND DAVID MALITZ

### FRIDAY

We're still missing Red, the old south-of-Dupont dance club with a come-as-you-are attitude, great vibes and two of the city's finest soulful house DJs, Sam "The Man" Burns and Doug "95 North" Smith. When one of them was on the decks, the atmosphere in the candlelit room changed: everyone relaxed, everyone got funky, and you never knew what kind of journey you'd be taken on. No wonder the regulars compared it to "going to church." Since Red closed, to be replaced by Fly, it's been hard to find a venue that could recapture the old Red spirit, a place for laid-back, friendly folks who didn't want to deal with dress codes or bottle service. Well, the Everybody Loves Music promoters think they've found the perfect spot — the **TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO ASSOCIATION HALL** in Petworth, ordinarily used for reggae and soca nights — and they're kicking off a series of events with the appropriately titled Hometown Heroes. Sam the Man and 95 North are in the DJ booth for the night, ably supported by Rusty B of the All Good Funk Alliance and Chris Burns of Disco City, so expect to start dancing at 10 p.m. and go until, well, your legs fall off. The cover charge for this 18-and-over event is $10, and it includes free Flying Dog beer until midnight.

### SATURDAY

Speaking of things we take for granted, tonight marks nine years — a lifetime in the nightlife world — of Mousetrap, D.C.'s longest-running Britpop and indie-rock dance night. We just took a look at the archive and realized that we only really mention this trail-blazing event when its anniversary rolls around, but that's because DJ Mark Zimin has his night down to a science: Play classics from the golden 1995-2000 era (Blur, Pulp, Oasis, Suede, Elastica, etc.) salted in with newer cuts and some '80s indie gems (Smiths, New Order) and voila: Everyone from under-21 college students to over-30 hipsters shows up at the Black Cat, and the dance floor is full for most of the night. Admission is $10; when you need to catch your breath, head downstairs to the backstage, where Kicks features DJs Sara and Kim rocking Judas Priest, the Ramones, Joan Jett, the Rolling Stones, the White Stripes — you know, anything that rocks.

Check out an extended version of "Nightlife Agenda" each Thursday at **washingtonpost.com/cityguide**

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**JUST SAY NO:** Or you might end up hanging out with Seth Rogen in your PJs a la "Pineapple Express." Oh, wait. That's awesome.

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**AMERICAN TEEN** (PG-13, 101 minutes) What makes stereotypes and archetypes so revelatory and dangerously reductive is how closely they reflect—yet also distort—the truth about who we are. That's the provocative, intriguing conundrum at the heart of this close-to-the-bone documentary that shows how easily a group of Indiana high-schoolers fall into those categories. How we ache for Hannah Bailey, the driven "rebel" of the movie, who's determined to leave the conservative Christian town of Warsaw for the glory of Hollywood. We are drawn into the sad matter of Jake Tusing, a self-described "geek" who seeks that one girl who'll respond to the beating heart behind all that acne and social ineptitude. But what makes Nanette Burstein's movie so powerful is its uncanny sense of familiarity. Watching them, we are transported into a humming, philosophical reverie about ourselves. (DT)

**BOTTLE SHOCK** (PG-13, 103 minutes) Perhaps the film should have been called "The Grapes of Froth," because it tells such a happy story: how the vintners of Napa Valley won the blind tasting known as the Judgment of Paris in 1976 and put their little piece of California paradise on the world wine stage for all time. What a movie: booze, Alan Rickman and really cool pickup trucks. Rickman plays Steven Spurrier, a British wine merchant in Paris who is prevailed upon to sponsor, arrange and produce the judgment, which, alas, compels him to visit the Colonies, where his snobbery gets a comeuppance, Yank-style. (SH)

**BRIDESHEAD REVISITED** (PG-13, 135 minutes) This feature-length version of Evelyn Waugh's tale of homosexuality, class envy, God and redemption must highlight certain themes, de-emphasizing others for the sake of brevity. Director Julian Jarrold's take on the idea-rich novel has become a more narrowly focused story of a love triangle. At the apex stands Charles Ryder (Matthew Goode), a middle-class English atheist who becomes infatuated with the family of Sebastian Flyte (Ben Wishaw), an alcoholic, gay Catholic aristocrat who befriends Charles while the two are students at Oxford. In the other corner is Sebastian's sister Julia (Hayley Atwell), a morose beauty with whom Charles begins a doomed affair. (MO)

**GET SMART** (PG-13, 110 minutes) Based on the cult TV comedy hit of the '60s, the film is slick and smooth and ticks along primarily on the excellent chemistry between Steve Carell and Anne Hathaway in the famed Don Adams-Barbara Feldon roles as Agent 86 and his far-more-capable female partner, 99, in the employ of spy agency CONTROL. Dwayne Johnson has a nice turn as a good-natured uber-agent 23, who casually beats the stuffing out of everyone, then smiles broadly and says, "Let's go to lunch." Was there a plot? I can hardly remember. As I say: darned funny! Weightless as froth, forgettable as dew, but pretty darned funny. (SH)

**THE DARK KNIGHT** (PG-13, 152 minutes) Heath Ledger's performance is a subtle, nuanced piece of acting so powerful it banishes all memories of the handsome Aussie behind it. He's supple of body and expressive with only his eyes, and his voice has undulations of irony and mockery and psychopathology. But when the Joker is absent, the film loses most of its energy and becomes nothing but a pretty-boy face-off between Christian Bale (Batman) and Aaron Eckhart. Maggie Gyllenhaal as Batman's lost heart, Rebecca Dawes, is perhaps too ironic for the Batman world; with those perpetually knowing eyes suggesting that she always gets it, she doesn't really fit. (SH)

**HANCOCK** (PG-13, 82 minutes) Will Smith plays a superhero assisted in the miraculous by cutting-edge special effects and by the specialest effect of them all, Charlize Theron. It begins with Hancock awaking on a park bench in Los Angeles, another grizzled, soused, unwashed member of that city's homeless. Then he shoots skyward like an Atlas headed for Moscow. Quickly he diverts to a law enforcement crisis, a running gunfight on the freeway. He saves the day with a

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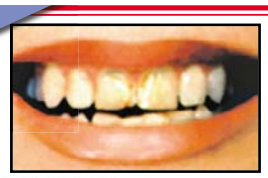

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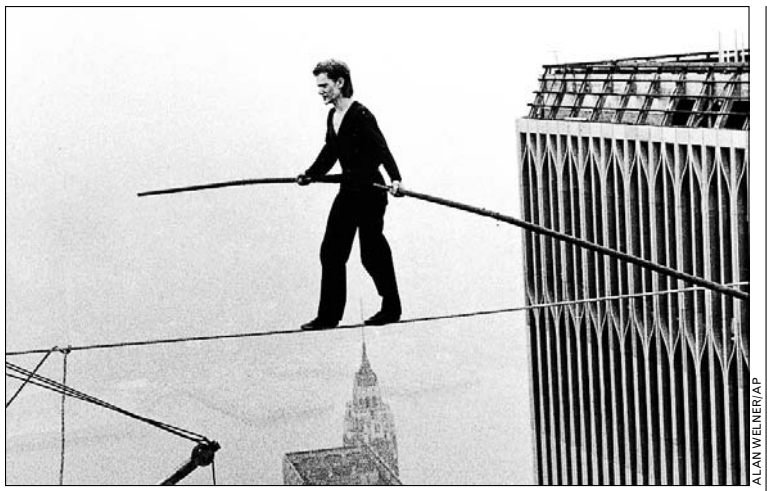
drunk's finesse, and rather than being feted, he reconfirms that Angelenos have tired of his man-of-steel thing, so he quickly finds relief in alcohol and the nearest park bench. So what is a despised superhero to do? Hire a PR man (Jason Bateman). It's kind of amusing, but then the movie takes quite possibly the strangest turn in movie history. It changes course, tone, concern and story issue, and never recovers. (SH)

**HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY** (PG-13, 110 minutes) Fans will be gratified by Guillermo del Toro's affectionate sequel to his film "Hellboy," in which he introduced the screen's most lovable anti-superhero, a giant the color of boiled lobster with Chiclet teeth and a really bad attitude. The great Ron Perlman is back as the cigar-smoking, chocolate-addicted lug, who again is joined in his exploits by his equally funny and flawed cohorts: the gentle, blue-gilled Abe Sapien and Liz Sherman (Selma Blair), now Hellboy's girlfriend and still prone to literally fiery outbursts. (AH)



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**WALK THE LINE:** "Man on Wire" documents Philippe Petit's epic N.Y.C. stunt.

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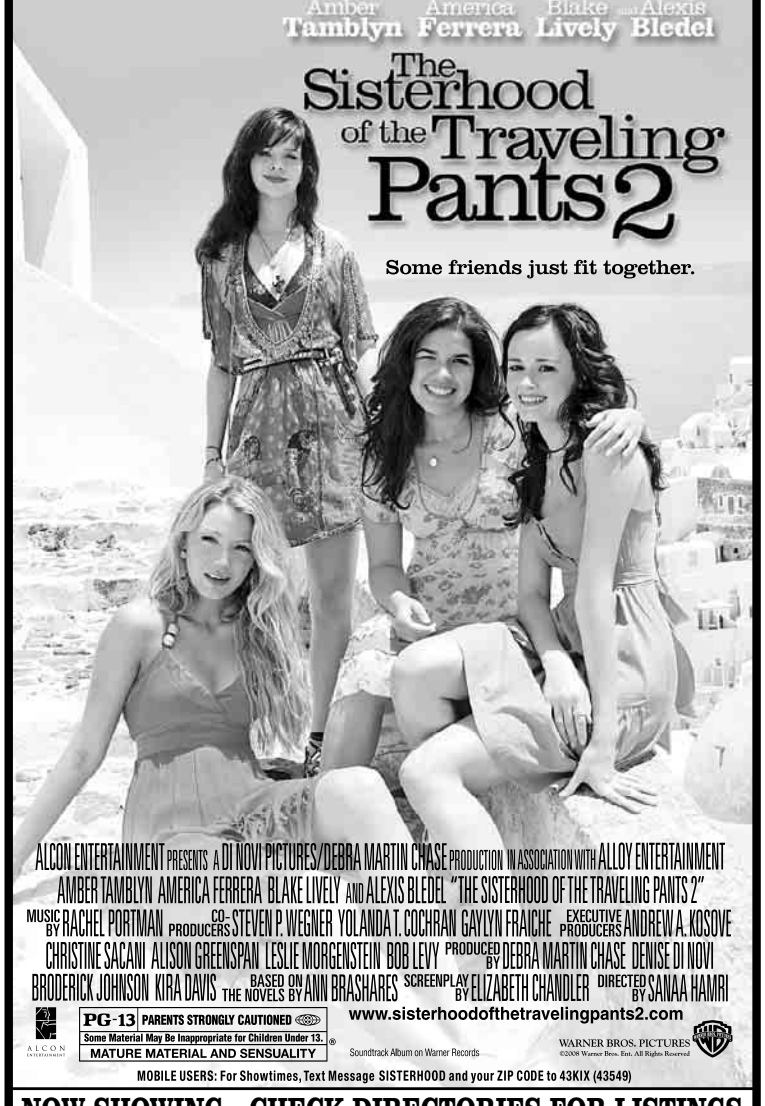


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ity. College geologist Trevor Anderson (Brendan Fraser) and his 13-year-old nephew, Sean (Josh Hutcherson), find themselves on a trip to Iceland, where a volcano is showing unusual activity. With the help of a gorgeous mountain climber named Hannah (Anita Briem), they get to their desired destination, only to be shunted into an abandoned mine during a thunderstorm. From there, they're hurled farther downward until they reach the titular center of the Earth. (AH)

**MAMMA MIA!** (PG-13, 103 minutes) The brassy, bawdy musical presents itself as a piece of clever counter-programming to this summer's surfeit of pounding, effects-driven comic-book movies. But filmgoers are likely to feel just as bludgeoned, in this case, by an Abba-bomb wrapped in a huge turquoise-colored feather boa. That's not to say that fun isn't to be had; Streep is a wonderment, belting her way to another winning performance. (AH)

**MAN ON WIRE** (PG-13, 94 minutes) This documentary opens with a grainy black-and-white reenactment of the events of Aug. 7, 1974, when French high-wire artist Philippe Petit and a group of friends famously pulled off a coup at the newly built World Trade Center. The participants narrate what's happening onscreen, and the story takes on the taut urgency of a thriller. Then suddenly, the film inserts a jarring color shot of Ground Zero. But wait: It's a photo of the construction zone from 1966, when building on the two towers began. Thus does the film work its singular form of revisionism, in an era whose iconic imagery is of the towers coming down, in presenting the radical image of the towers going up. "Man on Wire" tells a gripping, affecting story but also a deeply cathartic one, as a place of loss and grief is transformed, briefly, into a place of transcendence and lyricism. (AH)

**THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR** (PG-13, 113 minutes) Tiresome and messy, director Rob Cohen waters the film down to globs of plot, strung between shapeless action sequences and humorless repartee. Archaeologist/tomb-raider Rick O'Connell (Brendan Fraser) and his adventurer-writer wife, Evelyn (Maria Bello), live in bored retirement in 1946 England. They're thrilled when the government asks them to deliver a priceless gem to a Shanghai museum. Meanwhile, their son, Alex (Luke Ford), has dropped out of college and gone on a dig in China, discovering the emperor's mummy encased in a huge terra-cotta sculpture. We learn in a long prologue that it was a sorceress (Michelle Yeoh) who put the emperor and his men under a spell. The family reunites and squabbles in Shanghai, and, of course, the emperor reanimates, shape-shifts and leads them on a chase from Shanghai to Shangri-La. Whatever. The prologue was the best part. (JH)

**PINEAPPLE EXPRESS** (R, 113 minutes) One-man comedy juggernaut Judd Apatow's latest production stars co-writer Seth Rogen as loser Dale Denton, a process-server with a girlfriend who's still in high school and a lifestyle that revolves around two things: getting wasted and staying wasted. When Dale witnesses a brutal crime, he runs straight to his deal

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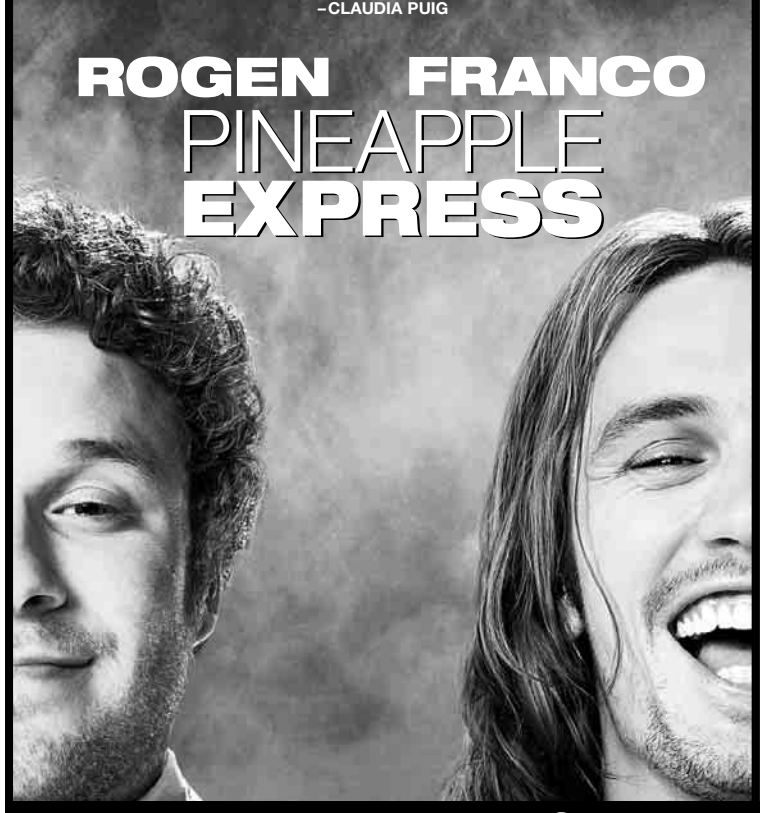


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er, Saul (James Franco), and soon the two are on the lam from corrupt police, a coldblooded drug kingpin and members of a ruthless Asian gang. Franco delivers a funny, sweet, thoroughly disarming performance as a naive Peter Pan of a dealer who might have been invented by Voltaire. By the bloody, hyper-violent finale, though, the film has gone the way of so many movies this summer: the sadistic Grand Guignol. (AH)

**SEX AND THE CITY** (R, 136 minutes) With its unapologetic materialism, raunchiness and heroines who managed to be sympathetic even in the midst of almost pathological self-absorption, "Sex and the City" became one of the most successful guilty pleasures in the history of Sunday night TV. The movie version succeeds just as well, cramming what used to take a whole season into a nearly 261/27-hour marathon of men, misery and Manolos. (AH)

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**THE SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG-13, 117 MINUTES)** For all its flaws and its flagrant flaunting of credulity, the film has four very good things going for it: Alexis Bledel (Lena), America Ferrera (Carmen), Blake Lively (Bridget) and Amber Tamblyn (Tibby). The film has four distinct storylines, held loosely together by the peripatetic pants, which get FedExed around the globe. Along the way, the friends deal with issues and, thanks to the talent and humor of its young stars, you don't mind that everything gets wrapped up a little too neatly by the end. (TW)

**SPACE CHIMPS** (G, 81 minutes) It's not that there aren't moments of banana-peel-worthy levity in this chimpoverished Fox product (yes, it's very big on the ape puns). But in the evolution of this summer's animated comedies, "Chimps" is the missing link no one was looking for. (JA)

**STEP BROTHERS** (R, 93 minutes) Brennan Huff (Will Ferrell) and Dale Doback (John C. Reilly) are capital-L losers who live with their single parents, who then meet, fall in love and a few weeks later get married. Thus Dale and Brennan meet and immediately hate each other. The movie is produced by Judd Appatow, and it displays some of his comedy trademarks. Chief among these is a reliance on profanity from unusual sources for laughs. (SH)

**SWING VOTE** (PG-13, 119 minutes) Kevin Costner, you thought, what have you


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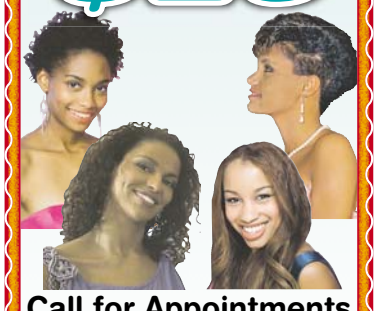

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STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (1135 200) 440 735 1010 1235
MAMMA MIA (PG-13) (145) 420 705 950 1220
THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (1115 230) 615 710 930 1025
JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG) (1125) AM
HANCOCK (PG-13) 1240 AM
WALL-E (G) (1120 140) 405
FLY ME TO THE MOON 3D (G) ★ (1120 150 400) 650 915 1130

### UA SNOWDEN SQ STADIUM 14
9161 Commerce Ctr Dr 800-FANDANGO 570#

*Adv. Tix on Sale* FIREPROOF (PG) ★
*Adv. Tix on Sale* BABYLON AD (PG-13) ★
VICKY CRISTINA BARCELONA (PG-13) (1230 300 530) 745 1030
HENRY POOLE IS HERE (PG) (130 430) 715 930
MIRRORS (R) - ID REQ'D (1215 245 515) 745 1025
STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG) (1200 230 500) 730 1015
TROPIC THUNDER (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (1200 230 515) 800 1045
SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG-13) (100 415) 700 945
PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D (100 200 400 500) 630 730 930 1030
BRIDESHEAD REVISITED (PG-13) (1215 315) 645 945
SWING VOTE (PG-13) 1000 PM
THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG-13) (1245 330) 630 915
OC & DA: STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (1230) PM
STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (300 530) 800 1045
MAMMA MIA (PG-13) (115 400) 715 1015
THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (1155 315) 645 1000
WALL-E (G) (1245 345) 700

### MAJESTIC STADIUM 20
900 Ellsworth Dr. Silver Spring, MD 240-393-4826

*Adv. Tix on Sale* BABYLON AD (PG-13) ★
TROPIC THUNDER (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (Stadium) (1130 1130 200 200 450 450) 730 730 1010 1010
RW: TROPIC THUNDER (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (Stadium) (1050 130 400) 630 910
STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG) (Stadium) (1015 1115 1250 150 325 425) 600 700 820 935 1050
MIRRORS (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1130 215 500) 745 1030
VICKY CRISTINA BARCELONA (PG-13) (Stadium) (1225 245 510) 725 1000
HENRY POOLE IS HERE (PG) (Stadium) (1105 125 355) 620 840 1100
PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1100 1200 140 240 420 520) 655 810 940 1045
RW & DA: PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1010 1245 340) 625 900
SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG-13) (Stadium) (1135 215 455) 740 1020
THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG-13) (Stadium) (1055 1230 135 300 405 530) 705 805 955 1055
THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (Stadium) (1110 1150 230 320) 610 710 930 1025
STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1025 1240 310 540) 800 1040
WALL-E (G) (Stadium) (1000 1220 250 515) 750
SWING VOTE (PG-13) (Stadium) 1015 PM
SPACE CHIMPS (G) (Stadium) (1005 1210)
MAMMA MIA (PG-13) (Stadium) (1030 120 415) 645 945
HANCOCK (PG-13) (Stadium) (220 430) 720 950

### ROYALE STADIUM 14
6505 America Blvd. Hyattsville, MD 301-864-3456

MIRRORS (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1140 210 440) 740 1030
STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG) (Stadium) (1120 140 410) 720 940
TROPIC THUNDER (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (Stadium) (1220 310 530) 805 1040
RW: TROPIC THUNDER (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (110 340) 650 935
PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1100 130 420) 710 1000
RW & DA: PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1150 220 450) 750 1035
SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG-13) (Stadium) (1230 320) 630 945
THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG-13) (Stadium) (1210 1240 250 330 520) 715 815 955
STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1200 230 500) 730 1020
THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (Stadium) (1110 120 240 430) 640 800 1010
JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG) (Stadium) (1250 300 510)
HANCOCK (PG-13) (Stadium) (1130 150 400) 700 950
WANTED (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) 755 1025

### BETHESDA 10
7272 Wisconsin Avenue 800-FANDANGO 569#

VICKY CRISTINA BARCELONA (PG-13) (1145 215 445) 715 940
MIRRORS (R) - ID REQ'D (1130 200 430) 745 1020
STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG) (1200 230 500) 730 1000
TROPIC THUNDER (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (1245 315 545) 815 1045
SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG-13) (1100 140 420) 700 940
PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D (1200 240 520) 800 1030
THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG-13) (1100 130 410) 645 920
STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (1215 245 515) 745 1010
MAMMA MIA (PG-13) (230 500) 730 1000
THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (1210 330) 700 1015
WALL-E (G) (1200) PM

### BOWIE STADIUM 14
15200 Major Lansdale Blvd 800-FANDANGO 454#

*Adv. Tix on Sale* FIREPROOF (PG) ★
STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG) (1100 115 345) 615 845 1115
MIRRORS (R) - ID REQ'D (1200 230 515) 800 1030
TROPIC THUNDER (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (1100 1145 1230 145 230 315 415 500) 600 645 730 830 915 1000 1100
PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D (1130 1215 215 300 500 545) 730 815 1000 1045
SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG-13) (1145 245 515) 745 1015
THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG-13) (1245 330) 600 835 1115
STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (100 330) 615 900 1115
MAMMA MIA (PG-13) (1115 200 430) 700 945
THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (1230 345) 715 1045
JOURNEY 3-D: $2.50 ADDED FEE FOR 3-D (PG) ★ (1130 145 400) 630
HANCOCK (PG-13) (400) 630 845 1100
WALL-E (G) (1115 130)
SWING VOTE (PG-13) 900 PM

### GERMANTOWN STADIUM 14
20000 Century Blvd 800-FANDANGO 455#

TROPIC THUNDER (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (100 230 430 530) 715 815 1000 1045
STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG) (130 445) 730 1015
MIRRORS (R) - ID REQ'D (115 445) 745 1030
PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D (245 430 515) 700 800 1000 1045
OC: PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D (115) PM
SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG-13) (100 400) 700 945
THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG-13) (130 415) 730 1015
SWING VOTE (PG-13) 915 PM
STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (215 515) 815 1045
MAMMA MIA (PG-13) (1245 345) 645 930
THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (1230 400) 715 1030
JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG) (1245 330) 645 945
HANCOCK (PG-13) (145 415) 630 930
WALL-E (G) (1230 345) 630

### BALLSTON COMMON STADIUM 12
671 N Glebe Rd 800-FANDANGO 377#

*Adv. Tix on Sale* BABYLON AD (PG-13) ★
VICKY CRISTINA BARCELONA (PG-13) (1145 220 505) 730 1010
HENRY POOLE IS HERE (PG) (1105 150 425) 735 1015
MIRRORS (R) - ID REQ'D (1100 145 435) 750 1040
STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG) (1115 200 445) 720 955
TROPIC THUNDER (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (1125 130 210 415 455) 700 740 945 1025
PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D (1255 140 345 430) 715 800 1000 1040
BRIDESHEAD REVISITED (PG-13) (1200 320) 640 950
MAMMA MIA (PG-13) (120 405) 650 930
THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (1210 340) 610 710 935 1035
WALL-E (G) (1155 330)

### POTOMAC YARD STADIUM 16
3575 Jefferson Davis Hwy 800-FANDANGO 690#

*Adv. Tix on Sale* BABYLON AD (PG-13) ★
MIRRORS (R) - ID REQ'D (1100 140 425) 710 950 1200
STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG) (1120 200 445) 720 955
TROPIC THUNDER (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (1125 1250 130 210 335 415 455) 620 700 740 905 945 1025 1150 1150
SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG-13) (100 350) 650 940
MAMMA MIA (PG-13) (1135 220 505) 750 1035
THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (1115 1215 300 400) 630 730 1000 1100
OC: PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D (1255) PM
PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D (1110 225 340 510) 630 800 920 1050 1200
THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG-13) (1230 320) 610 900
SWING VOTE (PG-13) 930 PM
STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (1155 230 500) 735 1010
HANCOCK (PG-13) (1240 310 540) 810 1040
JOURNEY 3-D: $2.50 ADDED FEE FOR 3-D (PG) ★ (1105 140 410) 640 910
WALL-E (G) (110 350) 650

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### KINGSTOWNE STADIUM 16
5910 Kingstowne Town Center 703-822-4956

*Adv. Tix on Sale* BABYLON AD (PG-13) ★
VICKY CRISTINA BARCELONA (PG-13) (Stadium) (1155 225 455) 715 940
MIRRORS (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1135 210 445) 730 1005
STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG) (Stadium) (1200 245 510) 745 1015
RW: TROPIC THUNDER (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1245 320) 615 900
TROPIC THUNDER (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (Stadium) (1100 1145 135 220 410 500) 700 800 945 1030
SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG-13) (Stadium) (1105 150 435) 725 1025
PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1130 105 205 350 440) 635 740 920 1010
THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG-13) (Stadium) (1110 155 430) 720 1000
SWING VOTE (PG-13) (Stadium) 915 PM
STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (100 335) 650 910
MAMMA MIA (PG-13) (Stadium) (1230 330) 645 925
JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG) (Stadium) (1250 310)
HANCOCK (PG-13) (Stadium) 620 855
WALL-E (G) (Stadium) (1115 145 415) 640
THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (Stadium) (1120 1220 235 340) 610 705 930 1020

### COUNTRYSIDE STADIUM 20
45980 Regal Plaza 800-FANDANGO 394#

*Adv. Tix on Sale* BABYLON AD (PG-13) ★
VICKY CRISTINA BARCELONA (PG-13) (1155 215 440) 715 945
HENRY POOLE IS HERE (PG) (1205 230 455) 725 955
STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG) (1130 1230 200 330 430) 630 720 900 950
MIRRORS (R) - ID REQ'D (140 445) 735 1025
TROPIC THUNDER (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (1140 1220 130 210 250 410 450 530) 650 730 810 930 1010
OC: PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D (100) PM
SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG-13) (1240 335) 625 910
PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D (1135 220 350 500) 700 740 940 1020
BRIDESHEAD REVISITED (PG-13) (1245 400) 710 1015
THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG-13) (1200 235 510) 750 1030
SWING VOTE (PG-13) 905 PM
STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (1215 240 505) 745 1005
SPACE CHIMPS (G) (1210 225)
MAMMA MIA (PG-13) (105 345) 645 920
THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (1150 1250 310 420) 640 755 1000
JOURNEY 3-D: $2.50 ADDED FEE FOR 3-D (PG) ★ (1145 205 425) 655 915
HANCOCK (PG-13) (435) 705 925
WALL-E (G) (110 340) 635

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### FOX STADIUM 16
22875 Crawford Plz. Asburn, VA 703-957-1035

*Adv. Tix on Sale* BABYLON AD (PG-13) ★
MIRRORS (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1235 425) 735 1010
STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG) (Stadium) (1200 230 500) 725 945
RW: TROPIC THUNDER (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (200 430) 700 930
TROPIC THUNDER (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (Stadium) (1215 100 245 330 515) 600 745 830 1015
RW & DA: PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1250 345) 645 925
SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG-13) (Stadium) (1210 300) 615 900
PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (145 445) 730 1020
THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG-13) (Stadium) (110 350) 640 920
SWING VOTE (PG-13) (Stadium) 840 PM
STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (Stadium) (1205 235 510) 800 1025
SPACE CHIMPS (G) (Stadium) (1230 240 450) 710

### FAIRFAX TOWNE CENTER 10
4110 W Ox Road 800-FANDANGO 670#

MIRRORS (R) - ID REQ'D (1120 1250 210 345 455) 655 740 940 1025
HENRY POOLE IS HERE (PG) (1125 155 435) 730 1000
PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D (1130 100 215 400 500) 640 745 920 1030
BRIDESHEAD REVISITED (PG-13) (1255 405) 710 1010
X-FILES: I WANT TO BELIEVE (PG-13) 925 PM
SPACE CHIMPS (G) (1140 205)
HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG-13) (420) 715 1015
JOURNEY 3-D: $2.50 ADDED FEE FOR 3-D (PG) ★ (1155 220 450) 720 945
KIT KITTREDGE: AMERICAN GIRL (G) (1135 200 430) 700
WALL-E (G) (1115 150 425) 705 935

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### MANASSAS STADIUM 14
11380 Bulloch Drive 800-FANDANGO 490#

MIRRORS (R) - ID REQ'D (1130 215 500) 745 1030
STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG) (1115 200 445) 730 1000
TROPIC THUNDER (R) - ID REQ'D ★ (1100 1200 145 230 430 530) 715 815 945 1045
SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG-13) (1220 310) 615 900
PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R) - ID REQ'D (1010 1050 1245 130 330 415) 650 750 940 1040
THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG-13) (1030 120 410) 720 1010
SWING VOTE (PG-13) (1140) AM
STEP BROTHERS (R) - ID REQ'D (1150 240 520) 800 1020
MAMMA MIA (PG-13) (1000 1230 300) 630 915
THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13) (1215 245 345) 600 700 930 1015
JOURNEY 3-D: $2.50 ADDED FEE FOR 3-D (PG) ★ (1020 100 315) 610 845
HANCOCK (PG-13) 950 PM
WALL-E (G) (1015 115 400) 710

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wrought upon us now? In the film, one guy decides the outcome of a presidential election. He doesn't know or care about politics, but the candidates stoop to new lows to court him. Bud, oblivious and unshaven, laughs merrily through it all. The movie asks its audience to suspend disbelief on one thing: its entire premise. (LY)

**WALL•E** (G, 97 minutes) Set in a future in which Earth has become covered in trash and swept by dust storms and where the only wildlife is the cockroach, "WALL•E" refers to our hero: a Waste Allocation Load Lifter, Earth class. He has been left behind to toil endlessly in the shadow of the planet's rubbish skyline. Meanwhile, humankind has been traveling through space for 700 years waiting for Earth to regenerate. Thanks to the constant attention of robots, the human race has been reduced to morbid obesity, sloth and interactive video screens. This is not the Enchanted Forest. It's too plausible for that. (JA)

**THE WACKNESS** (R, 95 minutes) It's the summer of 1994 in Manhattan, and recent high school graduate and weed man Luke Shapiro (Josh Peck) is approaching the season with anxiety. Levine does a good job setting up the atmosphere in New York at the dawn of Giuliani Time, thanks especially to a soundtrack dominated by such hip-hop godfathers as Nas and Notorious B.I.G. He doesn't do quite as effective a job with his characters, who never quite manage to earn our sympathies. (AH)

**THE X-FILES: I WANT TO BELIEVE** (PG-13, 104 minutes) The taut, well-acted film revolves around former FBI agents Mulder and Scully (David Duchovny and Gillian Anderson). It doesn't have the original show's elaborately embroidered conspiracy theories. It doesn't have ghosts, chupacabras, alien honeybees or mysterious helicopters, even though creator-director Chris Carter does alight upon a new, au courant kind of creepazoid: priests. The paranormal gives way to normal. (SH)

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### THE IMAX EXPERIENCE
**KUNG FU PANDA: THE IMAX EXPERIENCE (PG)** 6:45, 9:20
**SPACE STATION 3D (NR–NOT RATED)** 12:35, 4:00

### DIGITAL 3D
**JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG)** (11:15 @ $8), 1:50, 4:25, 7:05, 9:40
**MIRRORS (R)** (10:40 @ $6), 1:35, 4:35, 7:40, 10:30
**STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG)** (10:00 @ $6), 12:40, 1:30, 3:20, 4:10, 5:50, 7:00, 8:20, 9:50, 11:00
**TROPIC THUNDER (R)** (10:30, 11:30 @ $6), 1:20, 2:20, 4:05, 5:10, 7:10, 8:10, 10:00, 10:50
**PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R)** (10:15 @ $6), 1:15, 4:20, 7:15, 10:25
**PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R)** [D] [CC] (11:20 @ $6), 2:10, 5:05, 8:15, 11:10
**THE SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG13)** (10:05 @ $6), 12:10, 1:05, 3:15, 4:15, 6:25, 7:20, 9:30
**THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG13)** (10:25 @ $6), 12:00, 1:10, 3:00, 4:30, 6:10, 7:30, 9:05, 10:15
**SWING VOTE (PG13)** 10:05 PM
**STEP BROTHERS (R)** (10:45 @ $6), 1:00, 1:55, 3:40, 4:50, 6:30, 7:45, 9:15, 10:35
**THE DARK KNIGHT (PG13)** (10:10, 11:00 @ $6), 1:40, 2:40, 5:20, 6:20, 9:00, 9:55
**MAMMA MIA! (PG13)** (10:20 @ $6), 1:25, 4:45, 7:25, 10:45
**HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG13)** 7:55, 10:40
**HANCOCK (PG13)** (11:40 @ $6), 2:30, 5:00, 7:35, 10:10
**WALL-E (G)** (10:55 @ $6), 2:05, 5:15

### AMC SELECT
**VICKY CRISTINA BARCELONA (PG13)** (10:50 @ $6), 1:45, 4:40
**HENRY POOLE IS HERE (PG)** (11:10 @ $6), 2:00, 4:55, 7:50, 10:20

## AMC COLUMBIA MALL 14
10300 Patuxent Parkway
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### THE IMAX EXPERIENCE
**KUNG FU PANDA: THE IMAX EXPERIENCE (PG)** 2:45, 5:10, 7:35, 9:50
**SPACE STATION 3D (NR–NOT RATED)** (11:40 @ $9), 1:15

### DIGITAL 3D
**JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG)** (10:45 @ $8), 1:10, 3:35, 6:10, 8:40, 10:55
**MIRRORS (R)** (10:15 @ $6), 12:50, 3:30, 6:05, 8:45, 11:20
**STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG)** (10:00 @ $6), 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30
**TROPIC THUNDER (R)** (11:35 @ $6), 2:15, 4:50, 7:40, 10:20
**PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R)** (10:05 @ $6), 12:40, 3:15, 5:55, 8:35, 11:10
**THE SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG13)** [D] [CC] (11:20 @ $6), 2:10, 5:00, 7:50, 10:35
**THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG13)** (10:20 @ $6), 1:30, 4:20, 7:10, 10:00
**SWING VOTE (PG13)** 1:25
**STEP BROTHERS (R)** (10:35 @ $6), 1:00, 3:25, 6:00, 8:25, 11:00
**THE DARK KNIGHT (PG13)** (10:05, 11:30 @ $6), 2:50, 4:10, 6:20, 7:30, 9:35, 10:50
**MAMMA MIA! (PG13)** (10:40 @ $6), 1:20, 4:30, 7:20, 10:05
**HANCOCK (PG13)** (10:10 @ $6), 12:25, 2:40, 5:05, 7:25, 9:40

### AMC SELECT
**VICKY CRISTINA BARCELONA (PG13)** (10:30 @ $6), 12:45, 3:10, 5:45, 8:10, 10:45

## LOEWS GEORGETOWN 14
3111 K Street, N.W.
202-342-6441

### DIGITAL 3D
**FLY ME TO THE MOON 3-D (G)** ✓ 1:25, 3:40, 5:55, 8:15, 10:25
**MIRRORS (R)** ✓ 12:05, 2:25, 5:10, 7:55, 10:40
**STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG)** ✓ 12:00, 2:20, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45, 12:10
**TROPIC THUNDER (R)** ✓ 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:10, 12:20
**PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R)** ✓ 1:20, 2:35, 4:00, 5:15, 6:45, 8:00, 9:30, 10:45, 12:15
**THE SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG13)** ✓ 2:05, 4:55, 7:45, 10:35
**THE SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG13)** [CC] ✓ 2:05, 4:55, 7:45, 10:35
**THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG13)** 1:45, 4:35, 7:25, 10:05
**STEP BROTHERS (R)** 12:00, 2:15, 4:40, 7:05, 9:35
**THE DARK KNIGHT (PG13)** 12:10, 3:35, 7:00, 10:30
**MAMMA MIA! (PG13)** 12:05, 2:35, 5:05, 7:35, 10:15

### AMC SELECT
**VICKY CRISTINA BARCELONA (PG13)** ✓ 12:45, 3:15, 5:40, 8:05, 10:20
**HENRY POOLE IS HERE (PG)** ✓ 12:05, 2:30, 5:00, 7:20, 9:55, 12:20
**BOTTLE SHOCK (PG13)** ✓ 1:50, 4:20, 6:50, 9:20
**AMERICAN TEEN (PG13)** 12:15 PM

## AMC POTOMAC MILLS 18
2700 Potomac Mills Circle, Ste 886
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### THE IMAX EXPERIENCE
**KUNG FU PANDA: THE IMAX EXPERIENCE (PG)** (11:40 @ $9), 5:35, 7:55, 10:20
**SPACE STATION 3D (NR–NOT RATED)** (10:00 @ $9), 2:15, 4:00

### DIGITAL 3D
**JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG)** (10:05 @ $8), 12:25, 2:50, 5:20, 7:50, 10:10
**MIRRORS (R)** ✓ (10:45 @ $6), 1:40, 4:30, 7:10, 10:00, 12:15
**STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG)** ✓ (11:10 @ $6), 1:45, 4:35, 7:05, 9:45, 12:00
**TROPIC THUNDER (R)** ✓ (10:30 @ $6), 12:00, 1:20, 2:35, 4:05, 5:10, 6:45, 7:45, 9:35, 10:30, 12:05
**PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R)** ✓ (10:50 @ $6), 1:35, 4:25, 7:15, 10:05
**PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R)** [D] [CC] ✓ (10:10 @ $6), 12:55, 3:40, 6:25, 9:05, 11:40
**THE SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG13)** ✓ (10:15, 11:00 @ $6), 1:00, 1:55, 3:45, 4:45, 7:30, 10:15
**THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG13)** (11:05 @ $6), 2:05, 4:50, 6:30, 7:40, 9:30, 10:25
**STEP BROTHERS (R)** (11:15 @ $6), 1:50, 4:20, 6:50, 9:15, 11:45
**THE DARK KNIGHT (PG13)** (11:35 @ $6), 2:55, 6:15, 7:35, 9:50, 10:50
**MAMMA MIA! (PG13)** (10:20 @ $6), 1:05, 3:55, 6:40, 9:20, 11:55
**HELLBOY II: THE GOLDEN ARMY (PG13)** (10:25 @ $6), 3:50, 9:25
**HANCOCK (PG13)** 1:25, 7:00
**WALL-E (G)** (9:55 @ $6), 12:15, 2:40, 5:05

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**VICKY CRISTINA BARCELONA (PG13)** ✓ 12:10, 2:30, 4:55, 7:25, 9:55
**HENRY POOLE IS HERE (PG)** ✓ (11:30 @ $6), 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 9:40

## AMC COURTHOUSE PLAZA 8
Courthouse and Birch Rd.
703-998-4AMC

**THE SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG13)** 12:10, 2:50, 5:30, 8:10, 10:50
**THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG13)** 12:00, 1:20, 2:25, 3:50, 4:50, 6:40, 7:40, 9:30, 10:15
**SWING VOTE (PG13)** 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 9:50
**STEP BROTHERS (R)** 1:00, 3:20, 5:40, 7:00, 8:00, 9:20, 10:20
**SPACE CHIMPS (G)** 12:50, 3:00, 5:00
**GET SMART (PG13)** 2:10, 7:20
**SEX AND THE CITY (R)** 1:40, 4:45, 7:50, 10:45
**IRON MAN (PG13)** 4:40, 10:00

## MAGIC JOHNSON CAPITAL CENTRE 12
800 Shopper's Way, Largo
301-324-4220

**MIRRORS (R)** 1:00, 3:50, 6:50, 9:50
**STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG)** 12:10, 2:30, 4:50, 7:10, 9:30
**TROPIC THUNDER (R)** 12:30, 1:25, 3:25, 4:25, 6:25, 7:25, 9:25, 10:20
**PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R)** 1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 10:05
**THE SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG13)** 1:10, 4:10, 7:05, 10:10
**THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG13)** 1:05, 4:05, 7:00, 9:40
**STEP BROTHERS (R)** 12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15
**THE DARK KNIGHT (PG13)** 12:05, 1:30, 3:30, 4:45, 6:45, 8:30, 10:00
**HANCOCK (PG13)** 12:20, 2:35, 5:05, 7:30, 9:45
**WANTED (R)** 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 9:55

## LOEWS SHIRLINGTON 7
2772 South Randolph
703-671-0910 801

### AMC SELECT
**VICKY CRISTINA BARCELONA (PG13)** 1:50, 4:10, 7:00, 9:10
**HENRY POOLE IS HERE (PG)** 1:30, 4:10, 7:10, 9:30
**BOTTLE SHOCK (PG13)** 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:20
**MAN ON WIRE (PG13)** 2:30, 4:40, 7:50, 9:50
**BRIDESHEAD REVISITED (PG13)** 1:45, 4:30, 7:20, 10:05
**TRANSSIBERIAN (R)** 2:20, 5:00, 7:40, 10:00
**TELL NO ONE (NR–NOT RATED)** 2:00, 4:50, 7:30, 10:10

## LOEWS UPTOWN 1
3426 Connecticut Avenue N.W.
1-800-FANDANGO #713

**THE DARK KNIGHT (PG13)** 12:15, 3:30, 6:45, 10:00

## AMC TYSONS CORNER 16
7850 Tysons Corner Center
703-998-4262

### DIGITAL 3D
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**MIRRORS (R)** ✓ (11:00 @ $6), 1:40, 4:20, 7:15, 10:00, 12:45
**STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG)** ✓ (10:10 @ $6), 12:40, 3:10, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45, 12:55
**TROPIC THUNDER (R)** ✓ (9:20, 10:50 @ $6), 12:10, 1:30, 2:55, 4:10, 5:40, 7:05, 8:25, 9:45, 11:15, 12:30
**PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R)** ✓ (9:40, 11:15 @ $6), 12:35, 1:55, 3:15, 4:45, 5:55, 7:25, 8:45, 10:15, 11:35, 1:00
**THE SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG13)** ✓ (10:25 @ $6), 1:15, 4:05, 7:00, 9:50
**THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG13)** [D] [CC] (11:05 @ $6), 1:50, 4:30, 7:35, 10:35
**SWING VOTE (PG13)** 10:10 PM, 12:55 AM
**STEP BROTHERS (R)** (11:25 @ $6), 2:00, 4:40, 7:10, 9:35, 11:55
**THE DARK KNIGHT (PG13)** (10:15 @ $6), 1:35, 3:25, 5:00, 7:00, 8:30, 10:30, 11:50
**MAMMA MIA! (PG13)** (9:30 @ $6), 12:15, 2:50, 5:25, 8:10, 10:50
**WALL-E (G)** (9:45 @ $6), 12:05, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45
**GET SMART (PG13)** (9:50 AM @ $6), 12:30 PM

### AMC SELECT
**VICKY CRISTINA BARCELONA (PG13)** ✓ (10:00 @ $6), 12:25, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:25, 12:50
**HENRY POOLE IS HERE (PG)** ✓ (9:35 @ $6), 12:00, 2:25, 4:50, 7:40, 10:05, 12:35

## AMC MAZZA GALLERIE
Jenifer and Wisconsin
202-537-9553

**TROPIC THUNDER (R)** ✓ 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30
**PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R)** ✓ 1:40, 4:10
**PINEAPPLE EXPRESS *(CLUB CINEMA)* (R)** ✓ 7:15, 10:10
**THE SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG13)** ✓ 1:20, 4:20, 7:10, 9:50
**THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG13)** 1:50, 4:40
**THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR *(CLUB CINEMA)* (PG13)** 7:30, 10:15
**THE DARK KNIGHT (PG13)** 12:00, 3:30, 7:00, 10:20
**MAMMA MIA! (PG13)** 2:00, 4:30, 7:20, 10:00
**WALL-E (G)** 12:20, 2:40, 5:00, 7:25, 9:40

## LOEWS RIO CINEMAS 18
9811 Washingtonian Boulevard
301-948-0906

### DIGITAL 3D
**JOURNEY TO THE CENTER OF THE EARTH (PG)** (9:35 @ $8), 12:10, 2:40, 5:00, 7:20, 9:40
**MIRRORS (R)** ✓ 12:05, 2:50, 5:25, 8:00, 10:45
**STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG)** ✓ (9:45, 11:00 @ $6), 12:15, 1:20, 2:45, 3:50, 5:10, 6:20, 7:45, 8:50, 10:15, 11:15
**TROPIC THUNDER (R)** ✓ (9:30, 11:15 @ $6), 12:00, 1:45, 3:00, 4:20, 5:40, 7:10, 8:15, 9:50, 10:50
**PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R)** ✓ (9:40 @ $6), 12:20, 3:05, 5:55, 8:40, 11:20
**PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R)** [D] [CC] ✓ (10:55 @ $6), 1:50, 4:30, 7:15, 9:55
**THE SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG13)** ✓ (10:15, 11:30 @ $6), 1:15, 2:30, 4:05, 5:30, 7:00, 8:30, 9:45, 11:25
**THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG13)** (11:05 @ $6), 1:55, 4:50, 7:40, 10:35
**SWING VOTE (PG13)** 4:40, 7:25, 10:10
**STEP BROTHERS (R)** (10:10 @ $6), 12:50, 3:15, 5:45, 8:05, 10:25
**THE DARK KNIGHT (PG13)** (10:45 @ $6), 12:30, 2:00, 3:45, 5:15, 7:05, 8:35, 10:20
**MAMMA MIA! (PG13)** (11:25 @ $6), 2:10, 4:55, 7:35, 10:05
**WALL-E (G)** (11:10 @ $6), 1:40

### AMC SELECT
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**HENRY POOLE IS HERE (PG)** ✓ (10:05 @ $6), 12:25, 2:55, 5:20, 7:55, 10:30

## LOEWS WHITE FLINT 5
North Bethesda
1-800-FANDANGO #741

**PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R)** (11:05 @ $5), 1:40, 4:20, 7:15, 9:50
**THE SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG13)** (10:45 @ $5), 1:25, 4:05, 7:10, 10:00
**THE DARK KNIGHT (PG13)** (11:10 @ $5), 2:30, 6:40, 9:55
**MAMMA MIA! (PG13)** (11:00 @ $5), 1:30, 4:10, 7:00, 9:35

### AMC SELECT
**VICKY CRISTINA BARCELONA (PG13)** (11:20 @ $5), 1:45, 4:15, 7:25, 9:40

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Times for Friday, August 15, 2008


# express movie showtimes

## MARYLAND

### ACADEMY STADIUM THEATRES at Beltway Plaza
www.Academy8theaters.com
Beltway Exit 23, W. on Greenbelt Rd.
301-220-1155
(!) No Pass/No Discount Ticket
Friday-Thursday: Shows starting between 12 noon- 5 pm:
Adults $6.50, Child $6.00
Saturday: ALL SHOWS STARTING BEFORE 12 NOON ARE $5.00

**LOWEST PRICES IN THE METRO AREA!**
**NEW STADIUM SEATING/FREE PARKING**

**STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG)** (!)11:50, 2:15, 4:50, 7:15, 9:50
**TROPIC THUNDER (R)** (!)11:40, 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 10:10
**STEP BROTHERS (R)** 11:45, 2:10, 4:45, 7:10, 9:50
**THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG-13)** (!)12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00
**MIRRORS (R)** (!)12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:40, 10:10
**THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13)** 12:00, 3:00, 6:15, 9:30
**PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R)** 11:30, 2:00, 4:40, 7:10, 9:50
**THE SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG-13)** 11:30, 2:10, 4:50, 7:20, 10:00

### PHOENIX ADLABS LAUREL CINEMA 6
Laurel Shopping Center Rt. 1
301-604-2885
Bargain Matinees Daily before 6
Showtimes available at
www.PhoenixTheatres.com

**TROPIC THUNDER (R)** 4:15, 7:10, 9:15
**THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG-13)** 4:10, 7:15, 9:35
**STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG)** 4:00, 7:00, 9:20

**INDIAN MOVIES**
SEPARATE ADMISSION
ADULTS $10 / CHILD $6

**SINGH IS KINNG** 4:00, 7:00, 10:00
**GOD TUSSI GRATE HO** 4:45, 8:00, 11:15
**BACHNA AE HASSENO** 4:10, 7:30, 10:50

### MARLOW 6 THEATRES
Temple Hills, Md. 301-316-1031
Showtimes may change without notice.

**STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG)** 12:30, 2:40, 4:50, 7:00, 9:10
**TROPIC THUNDER (R)** 1:05, 3:25, 5:45, 8:05, 10:25
**MIRRORS (R)** 12:45, 3:10, 5:30, 7:55, 10:15
**STEP BROTHERS (R)** 12:20, 2:20, 4:20, 6:20, 8:20, 10:20
**THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG-13)** 1:15, 3:35, 5:55, 8:15, 10:30
**THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13)** 12:00, 3:00, 6:00, 9:00

### LANDMARK'S BETHESDA ROW
7235 Woodmont Ave • (301) 652-7273
Moviefone (301 or 202) 333-3456 #805
**BARGAIN MATINEES BEFORE 6PM**

**AMERICAN TEEN (PG-13)** 1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15
**TRANSSIBERIAN (R)** 2:00, 4:35, 7:15, 9:45
**BRIDESHEAD REVISITED (PG-13)** 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:55
**MAN ON WIRE (PG-13)** 12:45, 3:00, 5:30, 7:45, 10:05
**TELL NO ONE (R)** 1:30, 4:20, 7:10, 10:00
**BOTTLE SHOCK (PG-13)** 2:15, 4:50, 7:25, 9:50
**HENRY POOLE IS HERE (PG)** 12:50, 3:05, 5:15, 7:30, 9:40
**BRICK LANE (PG-13)** 2:10, 7:05
**THE WACKNESS (R)** 4:30, 9:20

### P&G OLD GREENBELT
301-474-9744
40 ft. Screen
At intersection of Crescent & Southway
All shows before 6:00pm are $6.00

**BRIDESHEAD REVISITED (PG-13)** 4:45, 7:25, 9:55

### P&G WESTFIELD MONTGOMERY
7101 Democracy Blvd. Beth 301-767-9555
**BARGAIN MATINEES BEFORE 6 PM!**

**STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG)** 1:05, 3:10, 5:20, 7:30, 9:40
**TROPIC THUNDER (R)** 1:00, 3:15, 5:25, 7:35, 9:45
**THE SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG-13)** 1:45, 4:15, 7:15, 9:30

## VIRGINIA

### ALEXANDRIA www.oldtowntheater.com
815 1/2 King Street 703-683-8888
Fine Dining Beer & Wine
**THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13)** 4:00, 7:00, 9:55
**TROPIC THUNDER (R)** 5:15, 7:30, 10:00

### PHOENIX THEATRES WORLDGATE 9
Exit 10, Dulles Access Toll Road
Centreville Rd., Herndon 703-318-9290
Bargain Matinees Daily before 6
Advance Ticketing Available at
www.phoenixtheatres.com

**STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG)** 11:55, 2:30, 4:55, 7:30, 9:45
**MIRRORS (R)** 12:15, 2:40, 5:15, 7:40, 10:20
**SALUTE - TELUGU (NR)** 12:20, 3:45, 7:10, 10:35
**BALAADUR - TELUGU (NR)** 12:10, 3:35, 7:00, 10:25
**TROPIC THUNDER (R)** 11:45, 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50
**PINEAPPLE EXPRESS (R)** 11:30, 2:00, 4:40, 7:05, 9:30
**THE SISTERHOOD OF THE TRAVELING PANTS 2 (PG-13)** 12:30, 4:00, 6:50, 9:40
**THE MUMMY: TOMB OF THE DRAGON EMPEROR (PG-13)** 11:35, 2:10, 4:45, 7:15, 9:35
**THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13)** 12:05, 3:20, 6:40, 10:15

### CINEMA ARTS THEATRE
9650 Main St., Fairfax 703-978-6991
www.cinemaartstheatre.com

**VICKY CRISTINA BARCELONA (PG-13)** 9:55, 12:00, 2:15, 4:30, 7:50, 9:50
**TRANSSIBERIAN (R)** 10:10, 12:10, 2:30, 4:50, 8:00, 10:00
**MAN ON WIRE (PG-13)** 10:00, 12:05, 2:25, 4:40, 7:10, 9:15
**BRIDESHEAD REVISITED (PG-13)** 10:15, 1:15, 4:15, 7:20, 9:55
**MAMMA MIA! (PG-13)** 10:05, 12:20, 2:40, 5:00, 7:30, 9:40
**TELL NO ONE (NR)** 9:45, 12:15, 2:35, 5:05, 7:40, 10:05

## DISTRICT

### LANDMARK'S E street CINEMA
E St. at 11th St. NW • (202) 452-7672
Moviefone (301 or 202) 333-3456 #781
**BARGAIN MATINEES BEFORE 6PM**

**HENRY POOLE IS HERE (PG)** 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 9:45
**TELL NO ONE (NR)** 1:05, 4:05, 7:05, 9:50
**BOTTLE SHOCK (PG-13)** 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 9:40
**VICKY CRISTINA BARCELONA (PG-13)** 2:15, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00
**BRIDESHEAD REVISITED (PG-13)** 1:00, 3:50, 6:40, 9:30
**MAN ON WIRE (PG-13)** 2:40, 5:20, 7:40, 10:05
**XXY (NR)** 2:50, 5:30, 7:50, 10:10
**BOY A (R)** 1:45, 7:20
**AMERICAN TEEN (PG-13)** 4:20, 9:55

### PHOENIX THEATRES UNION STATION 9
Metro's Red Line
202-842-4455
Bargain Matinees Daily Before 6
Advance Ticketing Available at
www.PhoenixTheatres.com

*** No Passes**
***STAR WARS: THE CLONE WARS (PG)** 12:00, 2:30, 4:55, 7:15, 9:30
***BACHNA AE HASEENO (NR)** 12:05, 3:25, 6:45, 10:05
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**THE DARK KNIGHT (PG-13)** 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:50


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# Television

**LUCKILY, THEY ALSO HAVE GOOD AGENTS:** Comedy Central will produce a pilot for "Michael and Michael Have Issues," a sketch comedy starring Michael Ian Black and Michael Showalter as two guys who have, well, issues. Comedy gold!

## ON TV THIS WEEKEND

### IT'S A GONER

What would happen if you set "The Surreal Life" in a Cracker Barrel restaurant? Something not far from **GONE COUNTRY** (8 p.m. and 10 p.m., Fri., CMT), now entering its second season. "Gone" takes a cast of curious and not-too-busy-right-now celebrities and determines who has the talent and grit to become a country star. John Rich returns as host and musical mentor.

### OH, MY GOD, YOU GUYS!

The popular if forgettable 2001 comedy **LEGALLY BLONDE** (8 p.m., Fri., ABC) propelled Reese Witherspoon from cult movie ("Election") actor to an A-list star of more predictable fare.

### I PREDICT MORE COWBELL

Christopher Walken heads a game cast in the 1995 occult shocker **THE PROPHECY** (9:15 p.m., IFC), involving fallen angels, police officers and a Korean War veteran.

### THE STABLEST OF PROFESSIONS

Janet opts for journalism on **SWINGTOWN** (10 p.m., Fri., CBS).

AMC

**AVOID OFFICE ROMANCE:** Elisabeth Moss and Vincent Kartheiser in "Mad Men."

### COLLEGE IS DANGEROUS

Scheduled on **20/20** (10 p.m., Fri., ABC): young female college students who vanished without a trace.

### THE STORY OF MIMI

Mariah Carey and Dan Abrams appear on **JIMMY KIMMEL LIVE** (12:05 a.m., Sat., ABC).

### DO THE CONTINENTAL

A 24-hour salute to the films of Fred Astaire includes the 1936 favorite **SWING TIME** (8 p.m., Sat., TCM) and eight other consecutive Astaire-Ginger Rogers collaborations, beginning with **THE BARKLEYS OF BROADWAY** (2:30 p.m., Sat.) and ending with **THE GAY DIVORCEE** (4 a.m., Sun.).

### DINOSAURS! TIME TRAVEL!

The team hunts for prehistoric spiders in London's subway system on **PRIMEVAL** (9 p.m., Sat., BBC America).

### BETTER THAN KUNG FU MOVIES

What do you do after seven seasons of "Boy Meets World"? Danielle Fishel, who played Topanga on that kids comedy, hosts a new quip-and-clip series called **THE DISH** (10 p.m., Sat., Style).

### ART, VIOLENCE, POLITICS

Scheduled on **60 MINUTES** (7 p.m., Sun., CBS): exposed CIA agent Valerie Plame; rape as a weapon in the Congo; a missing masterpiece by Leonardo da Vinci.

### CAPONE REDUX

**CHICAGO MOB TAKEDOWN** (9 p.m., Sun., National Geographic) looks at a protracted war between the FBI and the Chicago underworld in the 1990s.

### THEY'D TEAR UP 'THE O.C.'

The British teen series **SKINS** (9 p.m. and 10 p.m., Sun., BBC America) may be too intense for some. But it will come as a bracing tonic for those who feared that shows such as "Gossip Girl" were suffocating the genre with phony teen angst, product placement and manufactured buzz.

MGM

**PINK IS THE NEW BLACK:** Reese Witherspoon, above, in "Legally Blonde."

### HI-YAH!

Keith Carradine and Daryl Hannah star in the two-part period adventure **KUNG FU KILLER** (10 p.m., Sun., Spike).

### UNFORESEEN CONSEQUENCES

Peggy's helpful attitude toward the new parish priest provokes an unexpected reaction on **MAD MEN** (10 p.m., Sun., AMC). KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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## 2 The Pel Vez

Of all the impersonators in all the land, El Vez has to be my favorite. He is the self-proclaimed Mexican Elvis, and other than his moves, his most unique quality is his activism. El Vez works at the grassroots level in the Latin-American community — some have even said he's half-Elvis, half-Che. A Chelvis. I never thought I'd see the day. K.E.

➜ *Black Cat, 1811 14th St. NW; Fri., 9 p.m., $15; 202-667-7960. (U St.-Cardozo)*

## 3 La Drama

On Saturday, you can take in late, brilliant Italian director Michaelangelo Antonioni's naughty, powerful "La Notte," the tale of a husband and wife dealing with love, sexuality and loss. Then you can go home and appreciate the relative normalcy in which you live, assuming you don't find the film utterly relatable. K.E.

➜ *National Gallery of Art (East Building), 600 Constitution Ave. NW; Sat., 4:30 p.m., free; 202-737-4215. (Smithsonian)*

# top stops WEEKEND

## 4 Bluegrass From the Sand

When you think of Santa Cruz, you might think surfing, sand, herbal refreshment — the Beach Boys, perhaps. Not bluegrass. But Devil Makes Three, one of the best up-and-coming bluegrass folk bands around, grew out of that beach town. Luckily, it comes to this coast occasionally. You can see it at DC9 this weekend. F.Z.

➜ *DC9, 1940 9th St. NW; Sun., 9 p.m., $8-$10; 202-483-5000. (U St.-Cardozo)*

## 1 Men! In Tights?

Mel Brooks specializes in a kind of old-time offensive comedy. It's less disgusting than, say, a "Scary Movie 4," but similarly manic and irreverent. And his earlier films often featured Gene Wilder, one of the great underappreciated comic geniuses in American cinema. You can treat yourself to an entire afternoon/evening of Brooks' masterful satire at one of EatBar's movie marathons this Sunday. You might come for the free popcorn, but you'll stay for the "walk this way" jokes and hilarious musical numbers. F.Z.

➜ *EatBar, 2761 Washington Blvd., Arlington; Sun., 12 p.m., free; 703-778-9951. (Clarendon)*

**IT'S GOOD TO BE THE KING:** Mel Brooks is very, very happy to be Mel Brooks.

## 5 New Songs to Sing

Everybody, run — it's an original musical! Catch it! Kill it! Step on its face! Just kidding. We love original musicals, especially when they're as good as "Rooms: A Rock Romance," a two-person rock musical about the relationship between two young musicians. OK, so it's no "Pacific Overtures" — it's sort of a facile subject. But its creators can be forgiven. They're trying something new — and they have two great performers to keep it interesting. F.Z.

➜ *MetroStage, 1201 N. Royal St., Alexandria; through Sept. 7, $40-$45; 800-494-8497.*

**COMPILED BY** Express' Karmah Elmusa and Fiona Zublin. Read more of their picks every day — and see what's coming up this weekend — at **expressnightout.com/topstops.**

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For those looking to branch out, the menu includes items like roasted bone marrow and parsley shallot salad, lemon-stuffed fried olives and the most unexpected dish of all: vegetable tikka masala.

An amazing English beer selection (ask about the various brown ales or try a Golden Monkey), outdoor seating, a cozy, rustic interior and service with a big ol' smile round out what promises to be an overwhelmingly positive experience. K.E.

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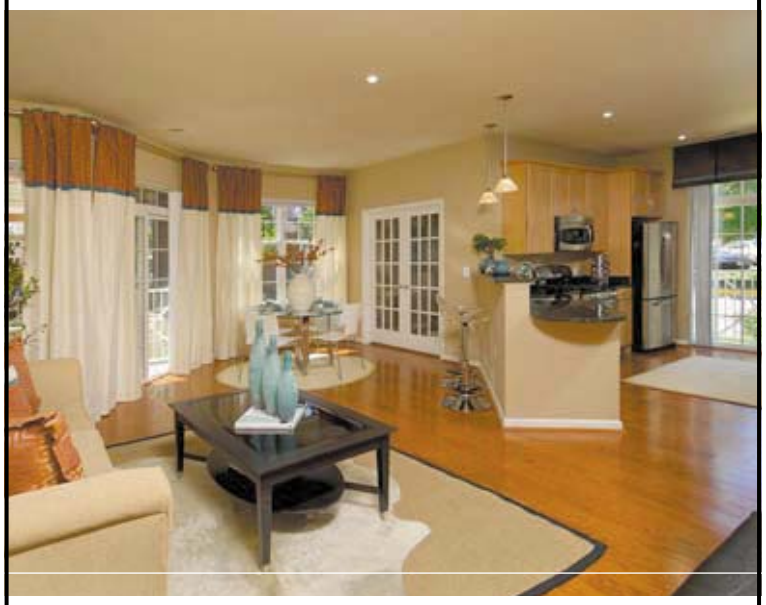

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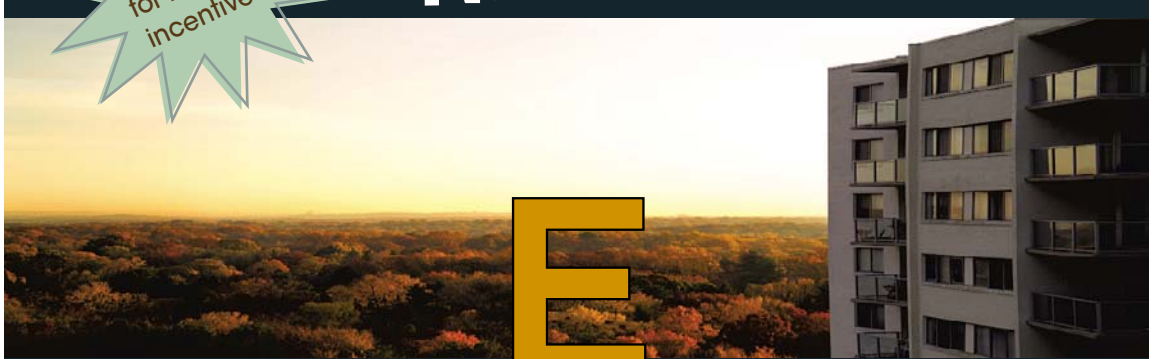

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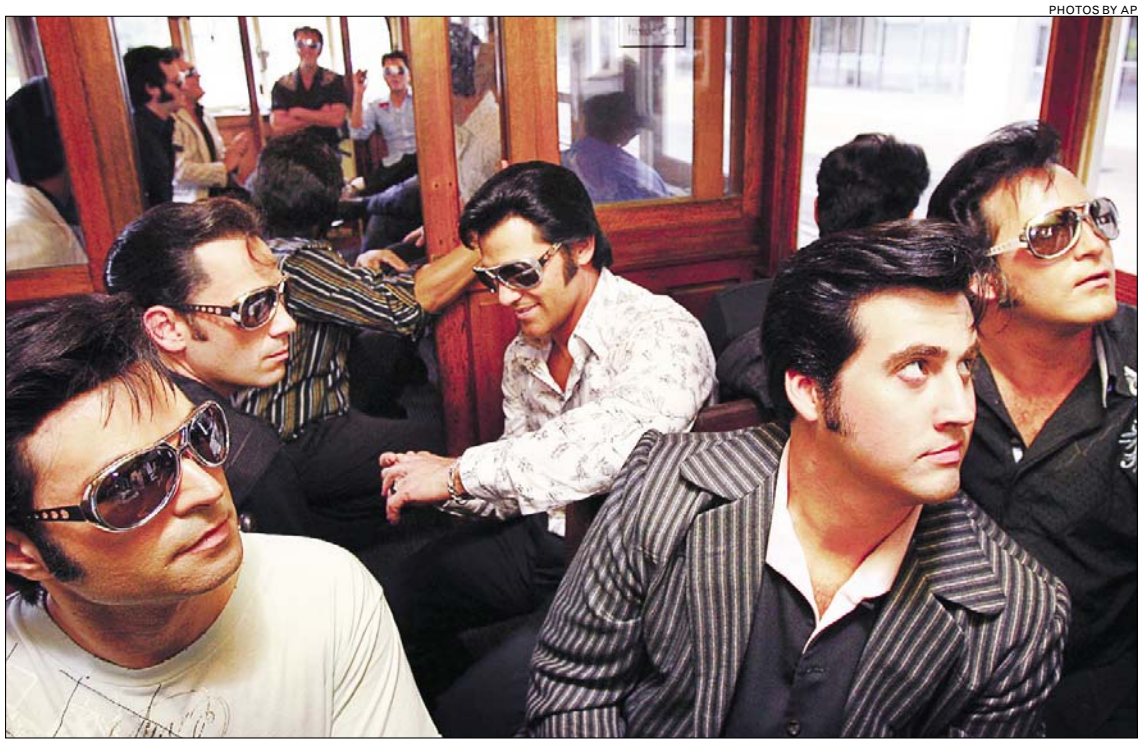


**MOVIN' ON:** Elvis Presley impersonators gather in downtown Memphis. Saturday marks the anniversary of Presley's death.

# King of the Comeback

## Pop Culture

### Elvis Presley fans mark 40 years since his 1968 TV special

When Elvis Presley made his TV special in 1968, he was coming off a string of forgettable films and a long dry spell on the charts, and the rock 'n' roll music he'd helped pioneer had given way to the Beatles and Jimi Hendrix.

It was a tough time for a comeback, but Presley, looking fit and tan in black leather, pulled it off with one of his best performances ever.

"You can argue that it was the highlight of his career. He had been treading water for eight or 10 years," said Alan Stoker, a historian at the Country Music Hall of Fame, of which Presley is a member.

The 40th anniversary of what's known among Elvis aficionados as "The '68 Special" is getting attention as fans gather in Memphis this week to mark the anniversary of the singer's death from heart disease and drug abuse on Aug. 16, 1977.

> "It was raw and it was powerful, and I think it was who [Elvis] really was."
>
> **STEVE BINDER**, 'THE '68 SPECIAL' PRODUCER AND DIRECTOR

Presley's Graceland mansion has opened an exhibit dedicated to the program, RCA has released a boxed set of all the music, and Steve Binder, the TV show's producer and director, has published a book, "'68 at 40: Retrospective."

"He said he was fearful of doing television, because aside from the 'Ed Sullivan' exposure, television had been a fiasco for him," Binder said in an interview. "He said, 'Television is not my turf. I'm not comfortable in a television studio.' I said, 'Why don't you make a record and I'll put pictures to it.'"

And that's pretty much what they did for the hour-long show, which aired Dec. 3, 1968, on NBC.

The original idea, the one Elvis' manager, Col. Tom Parker, had in mind, was a Christmas special with Presley singing holiday favorites.

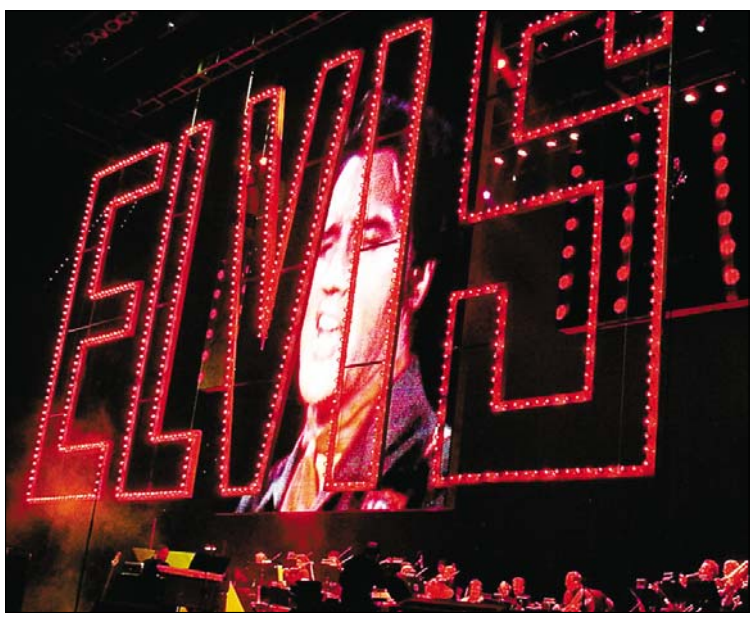
But Binder wanted Presley doing his own songs and doing them alone instead of with guest stars — a departure from Christmas specials of the day.

The real breakthrough, though, was offsetting the big-production numbers with a loose, in-the-round performance — raw and unscripted — before a small audience.

"We'd start shooting at 9 or 10 in the morning and go until we were done, then he'd go into his living quarters and invite friends and they'd jam to all hours of the morning," Binder recalled. "I was amazed by all the energy, enthusiasm and fun going on after a hard day's work. And it was like looking through a keyhole at things you were not supposed to see. I thought, 'This is better than what's going on onstage with the pre-planned numbers.'"

Parker hated the idea, but Binder persisted until Parker allowed him to re-create the backstage jam session for the camera, bringing in Presley's longtime guitarist Scotty Moore and drummer D.J. Fontana and other friends to help make him comfortable (it had been seven years since Presley had last done a live concert).

"There was no plan at all," Moore recalled. "He didn't know what he was going to do. I knew he was going to pull out some of the old songs we'd done, that kind of thing. But that was it."




The red sign from Elvis Presley's 1968 TV special was used in a 2002 concert.

Only part of the improvisational footage appeared in the TV special (RCA released a full uncut version later), but it was the highlight. At 33, Presley was handsome and in fine form, telling stories and joking.

At first, he seemed nervous. "This is supposed to be like an informal section of the show where we faint or do whatever we want to do, especially me," he cracked before his first number, "That's All Right."

But by "Blue Suede Shoes" he was in control, swapping his acoustic guitar for Moore's electric and stomping his feet through bluesman Jimmy Reed's "Baby What You Want Me to Do."

The show started a golden era for Presley that included his hits "Suspicious Minds," "In the Ghetto" and "Kentucky Rain," as well as a run of successful Las Vegas concerts and a January 1973 TV special, "Aloha From Hawaii."

By the mid-'70s Presley had become a caricature of himself. But that night in '68, he was a young man fighting to re-establish himself.

"I think it was the honesty," Binder said of the show's success, "the fact that he wasn't controlled, wasn't reading prepared lines. It was raw and it was powerful, and I think it was who he really was."

JOHN GEROME (AP)

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## Career Opportunities

"Project Runway's" latest challenge was for its designers to create an outfit for Brooke Shields' character to wear on NBC's "Lipstick Jungle." While Arion Berger questioned Shields' guest spot at first, she found her appropriately diplomatic, incisive and bitchy. | ONLINE NOW

SOUND BETS

## Videocracy

Every day, Christopher Porter trawls the Web for great new songs and posts his findings on the Sound Bets blog. Be a scout, join the troop and catch new music from Bowerbirds, the Academy Is ... , the Cure, Conor Oberst, Don Juan Dracula, Mogwai, the Gaslight Anthem, Caesars and more. | ONLINE NOW

WEEKEND PASS

## Strong Signals

Did you miss Thursday's Weekend Pass supplement and, therefore, are at a complete loss about what to do the next three days? The whole section is posted on our Web site, including Karmah Elmusa's cover story on the Faint, which plays the 9:30 Club on Saturday. | ONLINE NOW

## comment board

"Virginia was leaning blue even before the Bush era, and in that time Northern Virginia's influence and population have only grown."

**COMMENTER PMMJ**, WHO ADDED, "[THE] SAFE MONEY IS ON OBAMA'S TAKING THE STATE IN THE FALL."

"Doubtful. I think most people underestimate the size and impact of Virginia's military presence."

**COMMENTER 57TH STATE**, WHO ADDED, "THIS DEMOGRAPHIC PROBABLY WON'T FAVOR OBAMA'S CUT-AND-RUN STRATEGY IN IRAQ."

"Absolutely, Obama has an excellent chance to carry Virginia this year. He just needs to keep registering new voters and appealing to independents. The Old Dominion may not be blue yet, but it sure is purple."

**COMMENTER PHILIMUS**, RESPONDING TO THURSDAY'S POLL CENTER QUESTION, "DO YOU THINK BARACK OBAMA HAS A REALISTIC CHANCE OF WINNING VIRGINIA?"

## poll center

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AS OF 5 P.M.

DO YOU THINK BARACK OBAMA HAS A REALISTIC CHANCE OF WINNING VIRGINIA?

**YES** 79% | **NO** 21%

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## Blog LOG

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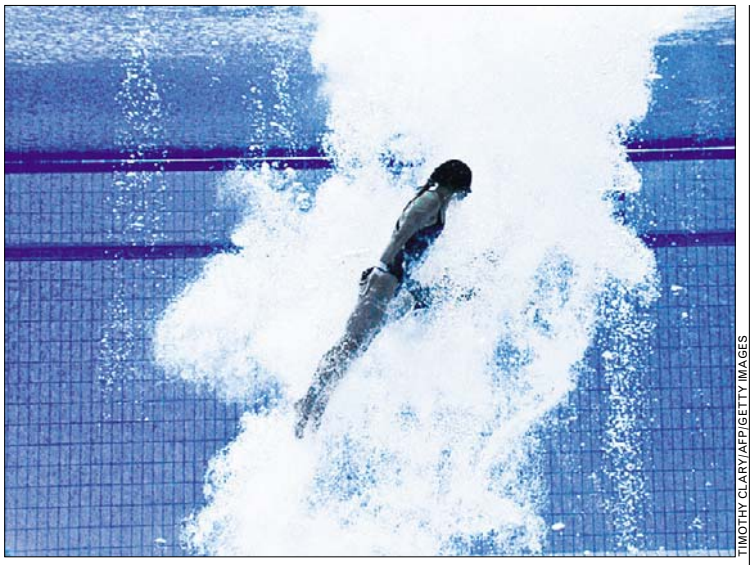

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"While watching the synchronized diving competition, it's hard to not imagine jumping off the high platform yourself."

**MR-T-IN-DC.LIVEJOURNAL.COM** AND HIS WIFE GET A BIT SPOOKED BY THE FOLLOW CAMERA IN THE OLYMPICS, WHICH DROPS ALONGSIDE THE DIVERS AND INTO THE WATER.

"AS MUCH AS I'd like to believe that new leadership will bring positive financial and academic change to UDC, I'd feel better if the incoming president didn't have a contentious past."

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"I like reality television. I like Georgetown. Anyone who has paid any amount of attention to either would know that these two things do not belong together."

**WHYIHATEDC.BLOGSPOT.COM** IS NOT LOOKING FORWARD TO A NEW REALITY SHOW SET FOR THE GEORGETOWN SOCIAL NETWORKING SITE 'LATE NIGHT SHOTS,' ADDING, "I'VE BEEN ON THE 'LNS' BOARDS, AND IT'S NOT THAT INTERESTING."

## Discussions

### Beijing Olympics

Washington Post sports writer **DAVE SHEININ** was online Thursday from Beijing to take your questions about the Summer Olympics.

**How come every race it seems there is a new world record being set by the swimmers?**

This is a great question, and there are many facets to the answer. The space-age swimsuits, for existence, reduce drag. The pool at the Water Cube, I am told, is the deepest ever used in an Olympics, which cuts down on the resistance. The training methods and nutrition programs, obviously, have been perfected over the years. And, of course, the cynics out there would say they're all on drugs.

**I understand a lot of nations are using foreigners to man their Olympic teams. Is this true? How do they account for this?**

We're definitely seeing a blurring of the lines of nationality. Believe me — you see this with the Americans, too. We have countless American athletes who are naturalized citizens. And there's obviously nothing wrong with that. It's really up to the individual nations. But it makes you wonder why they even bother to structure the Olympics by nationality.

**Why is baseball going to be dropped from the Olympic Games?**

For one, it is the only sport in the entire Olympics (well, men's soccer is the only other) in which the best athletes on the planet are not represented — because MLB refuses to interrupt its season so that major leaguers can play. Also, there is a lingering stain from the drug scandals.

**After all the pre-Olympics talk about the pollution, we haven't heard much during the games.**

I've been surprised at how seldom I have felt it or even noticed it. The last five or six days, I think, have been fairly clear. Early on, things seemed pretty grim. I was at a baseball scrimmage before the games began in which I was losing fly balls in the smog with my naked eye, and I predicted all sorts of mayhem would ensue if things got even a little bit worse. But then I went back out to the baseball field yesterday, and there were no problems whatsoever.

**TODAY ON DISCUSSIONS:** Post TV columnist Lisa de Moraes will be online to talk TV — reality, non-reality and everything else — at 1 p.m. **washingtonpost.com/discussions.**

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## Cornered | *Mike Baldwin*

"But can I keep the ring?"

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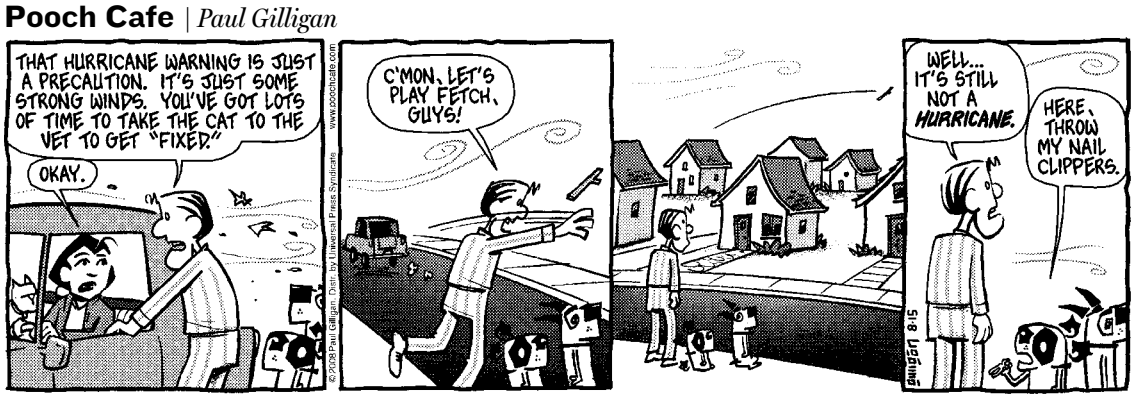


## Pearls Before Swine | *Stephan Pastis*

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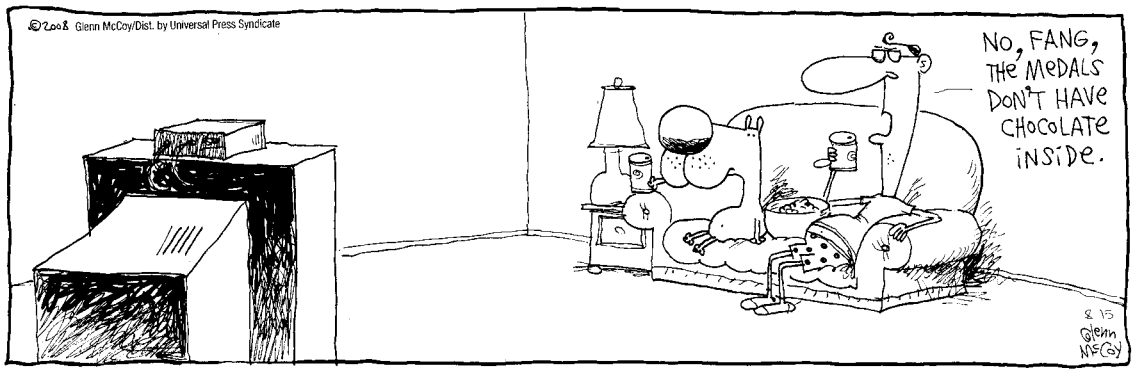


## Horoscope

*By Stella Wilder*

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Excess in any form is not for you; moderation is the key — particularly in those endeavors that involve others in your life.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Speed is essential, but don't go so fast that you sacrifice safety or accuracy. There is no room for carelessness at this time.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** Take advantage of your natural gifts and you can get results that could, in time, place you squarely on top of the heap.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** The difference between a lie and the truth may seem vague during part of the day — until you conduct an investigation.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** You may be battling a familiar enemy — and you may finally realize once and for all that it could be one that springs from within.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** You may have a hard time putting your thoughts into words and your words into actions. It's time for you to get yourself out of this rut.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** Never one to assume facts not in evidence, you'll want to get more information before you begin shaping your opinions and judgments.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** Relaxation may be elusive early in the day, as your schedule becomes far busier than expected. In one swift move, however, you can ease it up.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Stability, safety and self-protection are likely to be primary issues throughout the day. Make no mistake: You're responsible for yourself.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Stake your claim now to something you feel you truly deserve. Any hesitation on your part could be disastrous, setting you back days or weeks.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** You can impress others by remaining in the background just as much as by remaining in the spotlight.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** You'll be relying on your practical side all day long. Avoid letting your imagination get the better of you — particularly after dark.

## Letters

### Loud Music Is Inconsiderate

**I HAVE TO** echo the sentiments of Sandy Sarvis regarding the loud music on Metro ("Turn Down the Volume," Aug. 12). One day last week I was on the Blue Line heading in the direction of Largo, and someone on the train was listening to an iPod that was so loud I thought I was on the party train. Everyone on the train was in disbelief, not to mention frustrated. The music was entirely too loud. Whatever happened to consideration?

—DENISE B. HALL
*Upper Marlboro, Md.*

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## Today in History

**1057** Macbeth, King of Scots, is killed in battle by Malcolm, the eldest son of King Duncan, who Macbeth had slain.

**1935** Humorist Will Rogers and aviator Wiley Post are killed when their airplane crashes near Point Barrow, Alaska.

**1945** Emperor Hirohito announces to his subjects in a prerecorded radio address that Japan has accepted the terms of surrender for ending World War II.

**1947** India becomes independent after about 200 years of British rule.

AP

Woodstock opened on this day in 1969.

**1969** The Woodstock Music and Art Fair opens in upstate New York.

**2007** NBA referee Tim Donaghy pleads guilty to taking cash from gamblers and betting on games he had officiated.

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# Look out | People

AP

God really wants another original album.

FAITH

## Monks Unusually Proactive

Austria's Cistercian Monks of Stift Heiligenkreuz have invited **AMY WINEHOUSE** to reflect with them, the Daily Telegraph reported. Brother Johannes Paul Chavanne explained: "For 10 minutes, I liked ['Back to Black']. But when I read the lyrics, I thought it was sad." (EXPRESS)

PLANNING

## Performer Books Next Waffle House Skirmish

**KID ROCK** is returning to the Video Music Awards for another hit performance. The boisterous rocker is slated to perform "All Summer Long" off his platinum-selling CD "Rock 'n' Roll Jesus." (AP)

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ALLEGATIONS

# Bale Not Charged

**CHRISTIAN BALE** will not face charges relating to an alleged assault last month on his mother and sister, prosecutors said Thursday, suggesting their decision was based in part on the family members' wishes. Britain's Crown Prosecution Service said there was insufficient evidence to afford a "realistic prospect of conviction" and ordered police not to take any further action. (AP)

SURGERY

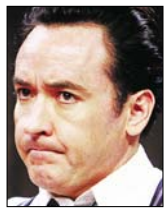
## They've Been Waiting to See What God Gave Her

Spit and mascara are all that hold those eyes open.

**LINDSAY LOHAN** used her MySpace page Thursday to deny rumors that her younger sister, Ali, 14, has breast implants, People magazine reported. "It made me feel a bit sick to my stomach," Lohan wrote. It's OK with her if you have cosmetic surgery, "but all in all my mother taught us to appreciate what we have been given. ... Nor would she ever encourage, or allow a 14-year-old child to alter her body." She went on to write about her recent purchases and how she misses friend Samantha Ronson. (EXPRESS)

AGING

## Stalker Wonders What She Saw in Now-Bloated Actor



A judge says a woman accused of stalking **JOHN CUSACK** is competent to stand trial but cannot represent herself. The Los Angeles Superior Court judge made her ruling Wednesday based on a psychiatrist's evaluation of Emily Leatherman, who was arrested earlier this year outside the actor's home. Leatherman sobbed in court and repeatedly talked over the judge. (AP)

REUNIONS

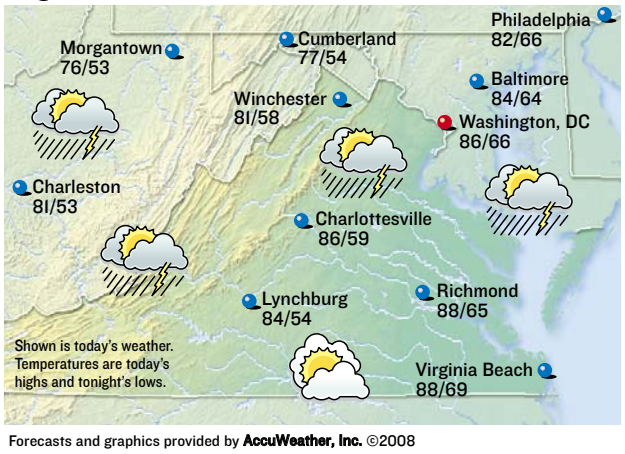
## 'You Haven't Aged A Day!' Entire Cast Lies

The Ewing clan is getting back together for a "Dallas" reunion party. Cast members will return to the ranch on Nov. 8 to celebrate the show's 30th anniversary. Several key actors, including **LARRY HAGMAN**, Linda Gray and Patrick Duffy, have confirmed they will attend. (AP)

## 5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

| Today | Tonight | Saturday | Sunday | Monday | Tuesday |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Partly sunny, p.m. thunderstorm | Partly cloudy; t-storm early | Partly sunny | Partly sunny | Partly sunny | Partly sunny; thunderstorm possible |
| 86° | 66° | 85° / 65° | 89° / 69° | 90° / 71° | 89° / 71° |

## Regional Weather

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## Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Thur.

**Temperature**

| | |
|---|---|
| High | 87° |
| Low | 67° |
| Normal high | 87° |
| Normal low | 69° |
| Average humidity | 59% |

**Precipitation**

| | |
|---|---|
| 24 hours ending 4 p.m. | 0.01" |
| Month to date | 0.37" |
| Normal month to date | 1.54" |
| Year to date | 32.69" |
| Last year to date | 17.98" |
| Normal year to date | 24.47" |

For up-to-the-minute weather, see: **washingtonpost.com/weather**

## Regional Forecast

**D.C. Metro:** Today, partly sunny, afternoon thunderstorm. High 86. Wind west-southwest 7-14 mph. Tonight, evening thunderstorm, partly cloudy.

## Sun and Moon

| | |
|---|---|
| Sunrise today | 6:22 a.m. |
| Sunset tonight | 8:03 p.m. |
| Moonrise today | 7:30 p.m. |
| Moonset today | 4:53 a.m. |

| Full | Last | New | First |
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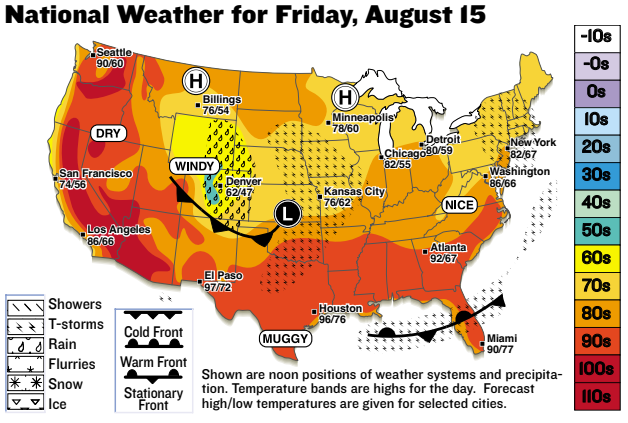
| Aug 16 | Aug 23 | Aug 30 | Sept 7 |

## National Weather for Friday, August 15




## National Cities

| City | Today Hi/Lo/W | Sat. Hi/Lo/W |
|---|---|---|
| Atlanta | 92/67/pc | 86/69/pc |
| Boston | 76/64/t | 76/64/t |
| Chicago | 82/55/pc | 84/57/s |
| Dallas | 96/73/t | 89/73/t |
| Denver | 62/47/r | 66/49/r |
| Honolulu | 88/76/s | 89/76/s |
| Los Angeles | 86/66/s | 84/66/pc |
| Miami | 90/77/t | 90/78/t |
| New York City | 82/67/t | 84/70/pc |
| Orlando | 90/73/t | 92/73/t |
| Seattle | 90/60/s | 89/59/s |

## World Cities

| City | Today Hi/Lo/W | Sat. Hi/Lo/W |
|---|---|---|
| Amsterdam | 68/53/sh | 69/56/c |
| Athens | 94/76/s | 93/75/s |
| Berlin | 66/50/sh | 68/52/sh |
| Buenos Aires | 66/52/pc | 57/48/sh |
| Calgary | 80/54/s | 84/56/s |
| Dublin | 63/54/r | 61/54/r |
| Geneva | 61/51/sh | 66/57/pc |
| Moscow | 81/61/pc | 86/64/pc |
| Rome | 83/59/sh | 82/59/s |
| Sydney | 62/46/pc | 59/45/pc |
| Tokyo | 87/78/c | 89/78/c |

s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

# Puzzles | Look out

## CROSSWORD | BODY TALK

**ACROSS**
1 Smart but not intelligent
5 Sci-fi frontier
10 Subject of spoiling
14 26 on a table
15 Tangy pie flavor
16 A3, A4, A6 or A8
17 Stomach
19 Agitated condition
20 Sound of fright
21 Chai, for one
23 They're on top of things
25 Time of note
26 Follower of Attila
27 Apple pie pros
30 Word before "Father" or "Lady"
32 "When all ___ fails, read the directions"
34 Alias indicator
35 Woolen fabric
37 Containers with necks
40 Eye
43 Cackling carnivore
44 Chief of the fallen angels
45 Feedbag morsel
46 They're good for a quick buck
48 ___ Paese cheese
49 They're known for head-turning
50 Sure-footed animal
52 What's put before the carte?
54 Type of check
56 Cleaning vessels
59 Had aspirations
63 Kyrgyzstan mountain range
64 Back
66 Large amounts
67 Globular yellow fruit
68 "Hard" or "soft" add-on
69 Termini
70 Rose oil (Var.)
71 French river or department

**DOWN**
1 Thames islets
2 Gator cousin
3 Word with "happy" or "eleventh"
4 "Communist Manifesto" co-author
5 Lose the spare tire
6 Stroke gently
7 Old Testament book after Joel
8 Showroom choice
9 Unabridged
10 Spot for a slide
11 HEAD
12 Fancy goodbye
13 Largest moon of Saturn
18 Yes, in Japan
22 Hobbes' partner in comics
24 Tallow sources
27 Calculating course
28 Not exactly a world-beater
29 FACE
31 Purpose of the Betty Ford Center
33 Be in need of a lift
35 Mesopotamian deity
36 Dissuade
38 Inclusive abbr.
39 Grounded commercial fleet (Abbr.)
41 Tolkien tree being
42 Buffet staple
47 Nancy's buddy
49 Words with "buckle my shoe"
50 Wane
51 Business with snippy employees?
53 Up's partner
55 Tax-deferred nest egg
57 Warning sound
58 RN's ASAP
60 From where some worship
61 Forenoon
62 Leaves home?
65 Reproductive cells

### Yesterday's Solution

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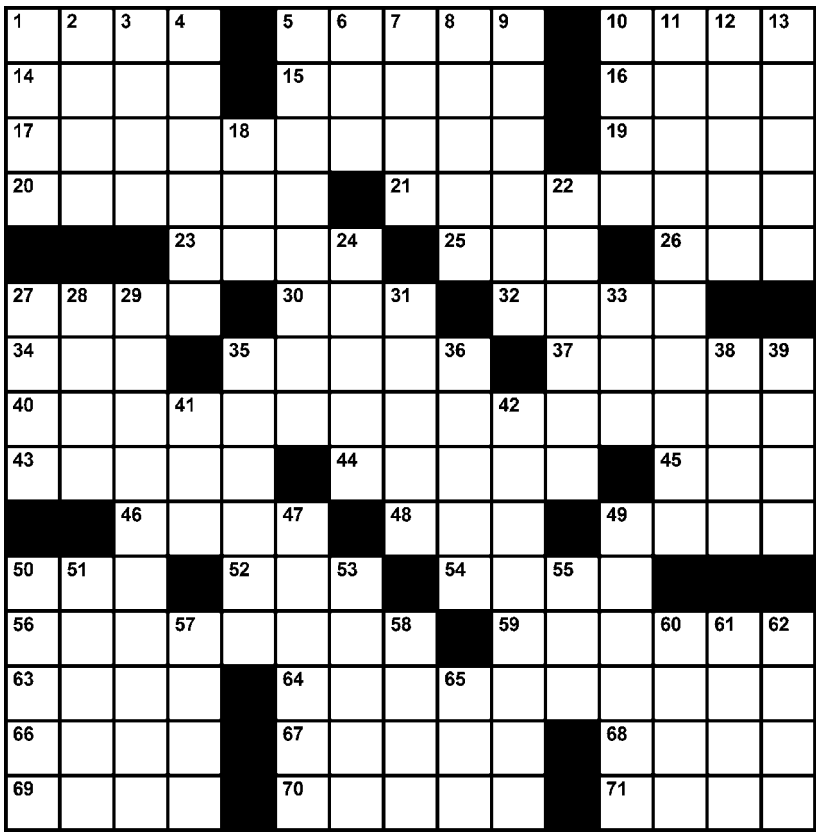

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## SAMURAI SUDOKU | HARD

**Fill in each column, row and 3x3 box with the digits 1 through 9 without repeating any. The twist in Samurai Sudoku is that the digits that appear in the overlapping boxes must work for both puzzles. A piece of advice to get you started: Don't focus on completing one grid at a time. Keep the whole puzzle in mind as you go, because filling in a number in one grid could give you clues to another.**

### Last Week's Solution

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| 1 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 4 | 6 |
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| 6 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 7 | 9 |

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## CLASSIC SUDOKU | HARD

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### Yesterday's Solution

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 8 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 9 | 3 |
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| 4 | 6 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 9 | 8 | 3 | 1 |
| 2 | 9 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 7 |
| 7 | 3 | 8 | 9 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 5 |
| 1 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 7 | 9 | 8 | 2 |

**Fill in the boxes so each row, column and 3-by-3 square includes the digits 1 through 9. For solution, tips and computer program, see www.sudoku.com**

**Need more Su|do|ku?**
Find another Sudoku puzzle in the Comics section of the Post every Sunday and in the Style section Monday through Saturday.

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# face Q+A time

**As the host of the** Travel Channel's "Passport to Great Weekends" (Thu., 10 p.m.) Samantha Brown logs serious airline miles (and pounds many sidewalks) exploring destinations from Austin to Wyoming. She just jetted to the environs of the Olympics to film "Passport to China." For replays of the special and her Asia tips, see Travelchannel.com.

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## Samantha Brown

TRAVEL CHANNEL HOST, ADVENTUROUS EATER

**What surprised you about China?**
Everything was the opposite of how life is here. The biggest difference was all the people. Walk down a street in China, and it's as if a stadium just let out. There are thousands and thousands of people.

**What were your fave experiences?**
The Great Wall is absolutely beautiful. You hear about it your whole life, and it's not disappointing. At the other end of the spectrum, you should also go to a teahouse. That's where the Chinese relax.

**What was the best thing you ate?**
I had this silken tofu cut into scallop shapes with wonderful seasoning. And the worst thing was duck tongue — it was the worst thing I've tasted in my life. When I bit into one, I had to try really hard not to throw up.

**And you just went to D.C. on your regular show. How was that?**
We tried approaching the city like locals, so we went to U Street, ate Ethiopian and went kayaking.

**How do you plan your trips?**
I start with the New York Times and The Washington Post and read journalists' narratives about a place. I rarely get a book, because I want to get emotionally connected, and I think newspaper writers know how to do that best.

**On "Passport," you score insider tours and special access. How can regular folks do that?**
You've got to do due diligence. Look on the Internet for special events. Ask your concierge for information And if you have a special passion, like, say, for wine, make sure the people at the winery know that.

**Any packing tips?**
Before a trip, the best thing you can do is lay out what you're going to bring before you pack. I call it the audition. You can make cuts then.

**What are suitcase must-haves?**
For basics, I suggest a nice, dark pair of jeans you can wear anywhere, a pair of black slacks and a flirty dress.

**Any travel gadgets you love?**
Travel Space Bags (Containerstore.com). They're plastic bags you can squeeze the air out of. You can even compress dirty laundry!

> "Duck tongue was the worst thing I've tasted. I had to try not to throw up."

**Where have you traveled that you'd love to explore further?**
I'm smitten with the American West. I went to Wyoming recently and got to play cowgirl.

**And where haven't you been that you'd like to go?**
Japan. I've always had this affinity for it, ever since I was a little kid.

**When you get time off, where do you spend it?**
I like to stay home in Brooklyn. I try to avoid getting on a plane or staying at a hotel!

**What do you like to do there?**
I take my bike to Prospect Park or hang out with friends and have cocktails. JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)


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## 4 Hello, Hydration

**"LA MER,"** a co-worker recently pointed out, can also be read as "lamer." And while that would be a great lead for a negative review, we have only good things to say about the brand's new Hydrating Infusion ($95, Lamer.com). Yes, there's the usual hoodoo about mysterious ingredients — this has "magnetized tourmaline" — but it's a potent face-booster that works well along with any moisturizer, La Mer or otherwise.

## 5 Cubicle Crack-Ups

**RAIDING THE SUPPLY CABINET** at work is rarely a cause for joy or laughter. But pop-top cans of Rubberbando rubber bands, Tacky Jack pushpins and other retro, jokey office supplies ($6-$8, Home Rule, 1807 14th St. NW; 202-797-5544) might make the 9-to-5 slog a bit less painful, long and humorless, and they'll make your Staples-loving co-workers look tragically uncool.

**Grab Bag**

## 1 To Grab and to Bold

**NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES** we see Reese Witherspoon in yellow, we're not giving up our little black dresses. But to break up their vampiric sameness, we'll carry one of local designer Lara Akinsanya's new Quiqui clutches ($65, Caramel, 1603 U St. NW; 202-265-1930). Made of bright Nigerian lace and strewn with rhinestones and flowers, they'll keep your glamorous feet firmly planted in non-Goth land.

## 3 Brewer in Chief

**IN ADDITION TO SERVING** as the first prez, George Washington also made whiskey at his Mount Vernon estate. His distillery, recently rebuilt, isn't churning out hooch again, yet. But staffers there did commingle and age a blend of Jack Daniel's, Jim Beam, Virginia Gentleman and others on-site, and it's now for sale at the gift shop in a 50 ml bottle, packaged with a shot glass ($25, 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Hwy.). On ice, the potent stuff tasted meaty, peaty and like something one could enjoy in or out of a powdered wig.

## 2 Sporty Spice

**IF J. CREW IS MEANT** to outfit preppy babes from post-grad up, then Madewell, J.C.'s new sibling, must be the outfitter of choice for their tomboyish younger sisters. The casual, denim-mad line just opened its first area boutique at Tysons Corner Center (703-761-4301) in space that looks a lot like a general store: rough wood floors, exposed wiring. The clothes also veer down-home hip: well-fitted boot-leg jeans ($110), long cardigans in jewel tones ($68) and tough-girl boots.

## dear manolo

ANSWERS FROM THE SHOEBLOGGER

**I'm getting married in an informal ceremony on a Hawaiian beach. I'm not going to wear shoes, but for the dinner afterward I'll need a pair of sandals, something affordable that's pretty but not too fussy.** — EMILY

■ Manolo says, how the Manolo well remembers the single beach wedding he attended, many years ago, in the seaside resort mecca of Panama City, Fla. (Where all of your wildest mini-golf and ribald T-shirt desires may be satisfied!)

It was the beautiful and moving ceremony, the bride in the lovely white sundress-ish thing, the groom so handsome in his tuxedo from the Jimmy Buffett "Margaritaville" collection. The Manolo nearly wept with joy for his friends.

And then the sand fleas came.

Afterward, the fragrance of calamine lotion and domestic beer scented the magic Redneck Riveria night.

Ayyy! Hawaii! You will need the most beautiful shoes possible for your festival of poi, roast pig and lifelong commitment. Here is the Fawn from Lumiani ($140, Zappos.com), the simply beautiful and affordable sandal that is available in 14 colors, including this marvelous platinum.

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## ON THE COVER

**Ruut wears a Celebrity Punk dress** ($128, Lettie Gooch, 1911 9th St. NW; earrings, $42, Lettie Gooch). **Model, T.H.E. Artist Agency. Hair and makeup by Victoria Stiles, T.H.E. Artist Agency. Photo by Marge Ely.**

**There's nothing more basic** than blue jeans — or is there? This fall, denim is anything but dull, popping up on more than just pants. Dresses, bags and even shoes have gotten a dungaree makeover. "Denim is always in style because it's a classic look that you can dress up or down," says Theresa Watts, owner of U Street boutique Lettie Gooch. "And most people have a comfort level with denim, so they're not afraid to go outside the box." This season, there's a huge vintage revival, from Marilyn Monroe-inspired jumpers to Farrah Fawcett–esque high-waisted styles. More traditional? Don't worry — skinny jeans are still around, as is the ever-flattering boot cut. (You can stash away your extreme wide legs until the next time they come around, which they inevitably will.) With so many decisions, it's easy to go overboard with the blue, so just keep in mind the cardinal rule: Never wear two pieces of denim clothing together — and, yes, that includes your jean jacket. ASHLEY JOY PARKER

# Out of the Blue

## Back to the Future

**A favorite of Chrissy Snow** (remember "Three's Company"?), high-waisted second-skin skimmers from the 1970s are back in a big way. "There is a huge comeback in vintage-style denim" says Watts. The style may be extreme, but it's not as impossible to pull off as some may imagine. A ladylike blouse can balance out the proportions by adding some volume up top; long, loose hair will also offset the stovepipe style. But as with all high-waisted looks, this outfit's best for gals with a little height — or those who don't mind faking it in heels. **JEANS:** $32.50, Wet Seal, 1225 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-298-6558. **BLOUSE:** $280, Nanette Lepore, 5449 Wisconsin Ave., Chevy Chase; 301-657-1515. **SHOES:** $180, Betsey Johnson, Tysons Galleria, McLean; 703-442-3940.

## Vested Interest

**Bohemian meets blue jeans** in an earthy but edgy ensemble that's reminiscent of something Sienna Miller or Rachel Bilson might sport. Proving that dressing up in denim doesn't have to include jeans, here, accessories alone define the look. Playing on different shapes, opposites attract when Daftbird's breezy jersey dress meets Jolt's structured denim vest. The ruffle detail gives the casual menswear piece a cute feminine touch. Go from hippie to hipster by adding Sugar's suede and denim boots, and then take this laid-back ensemble to an outdoor concert or music festival. **DRESS:** $80, Daftbird, 213-629-3238; Daftbird.com. **VEST:** $34, Macy's, 1201 G St. NW; 202-347-3969. **BOOTS:** $95.40, Zappos.com. **NECKLACE:** $6.50, Target.

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## It's a Cinch

**Channel your inner pinup girl** with this 1950s-inspired Betsey Johnson romper, a fun and flirty frock alternative for fashionistas who dare to take risks. The sporty silhouette is sure to turn heads at your Labor Day barbecue, but don't go it alone: Accentuate the waist with a wide patent-leather belt, and then add some heels, like these denim Louis Vuitton mules, to make those gams look extra-long. "People in D.C. are really starting to dress up their denim," says Watts. **ROMPER:** $295, Betsey Johnson, Tysons Galleria, McLean; 703-442-3940. **BELT:** $20, Urban Outfitters, 3111 M St. NW; 202-342-1012. **SHOES:** $570, Eluxury.com.

### A SATCHEL THAT SHINES

**Basic cotton can be boring — so Kooba dressed up its denim bag with a glossy patent sheen. The best part about this capacious tote is that, like jeans, it's neutral. And don't worry about wearing it with your favorite boot-cut bottoms. It's OK to mix the two, thanks to the unique finish. ($495, Bloomingdale's, 5300 Western Ave., Chevy Chase; 240-744-3700)**

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# Styles | people

## out there

SEEKING ANSWERS ON THE TOWN

**Q** When's the last time you threw in the towel and gave up?

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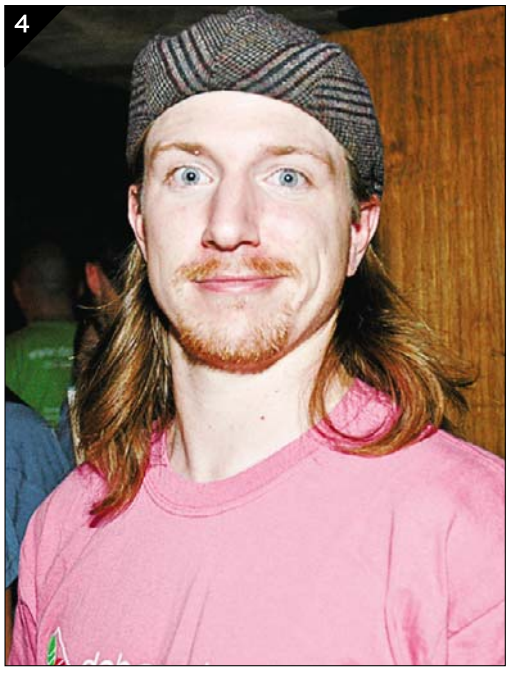
**1. "I have finally given up on making the 2008 women's synchronized diving team,"** Joan Altman, left. **"I'm done with people who suck the energy out of you,"** Katie Stratton. **2. "A job in New Jersey. Down with the Garden State!"** Beth Roszkowski, left. **"Last time the Red Sox lost,"** Sarah Bruno. **3. "I don't give up. I'm pretty [expletive] stubborn,"** Kat Shamapande, with Kipp Johnson. **4. "Last weekend I was ready to throw in the towel with whiskey. I'll probably do that 10 times before I die,"** Drew Stockdreher. **5. "Every morning,"** Aaron Eidelman. **"AAA. They took four hours to get to my car,"** Heather Sweigard. **6. "Tonight, when I played bocce. I threw in the towel and picked up a beer,"** Sarah Delucas, center, with John Groth, left. **"Nissan Pavilion. Three hours there and three to get back,"** Gautam Chowdhry. ROBYN MINCHER



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# B.I.O.

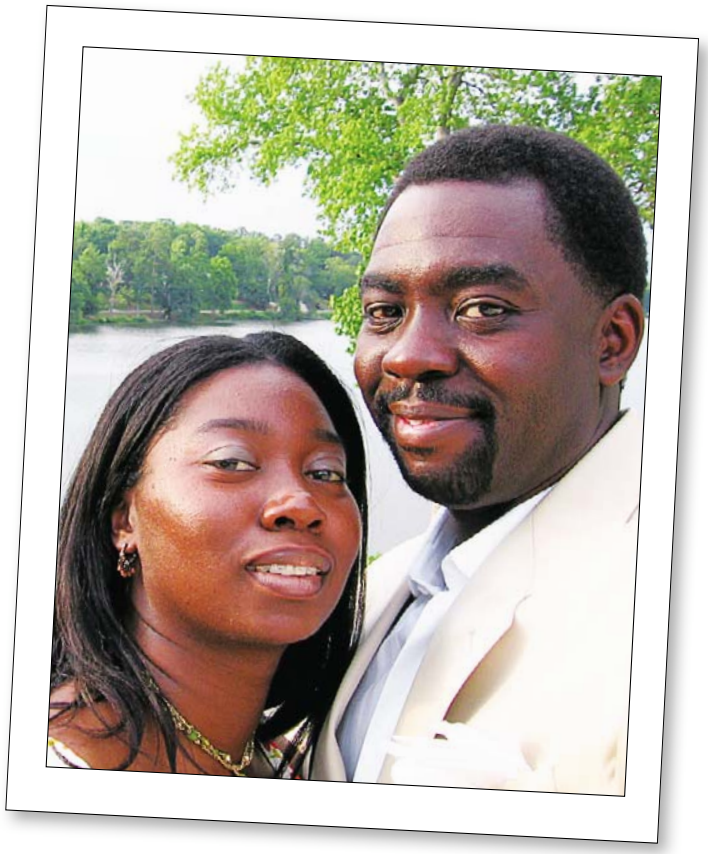
BY INVITATION ONLY: UPCOMING WEDDINGS & UNIONS

## Wesley Johnson, Tarkia Morgan

**Wesley, 24, is a program analyst. Tarkia, 23, is a nursing student. They live in Capitol Heights.**

■ **The Main Event:** A formal evening wedding followed by a cookout reception in Suitland, Md. Tarkia will walk down the aisle to the strumming of a harp.
■ **Honeymoon:** St. Maarten.
■ **How They Met:** At church.
■ **First Impressions:** "He looks like an Ethiopian." "That's my wife."
■ **First Date:** Wesley's high school prom at Baltimore's Inner Harbor in 2001. "We spent the night walking along the Harbor, running from a big rat," says Wesley. "I had a wonderful conversation on the ride back to Suitland, only to find out Tarkia fell asleep."
■ **How He Proposed:** "At our church on New Year's Eve — in front of everybody," says Tarkia. "The pastor allowed me to propose after midnight," says Wesley.
■ **Their Song:** "Butterflies" by Michael Jackson. "It just happened to be the song that came out when we started dating," says the couple.
■ **Most Hated Clothing Item:** "His jeans that are ripped at the bottom." "The sweats she wears after dance class."
■ **Making it Unique:** Since Tarkia is a dancer, a solitary performer will dance at the beginning of their ceremony. The wedding will conclude with the moves of 20 dance ministers.
■ **When He Knew:** "The moment I saw her."

Upon meeting her, Wesley thought, "That's my wife."



## A Shot at True Love

After meeting THEONA SALMON at a birthday party for a mutual friend, GARY PONDER suggested they meet up one evening to shoot pool at Buffalo Billiards. Nicely played, right? Well, almost. "I didn't realize she played in a pool league weekly and has won many trophies," he says. Oops. "I didn't let him win," Theona confesses. While he may have lost the game, he won the girl. Seven years after that night, Gary popped the question — nervously, he admits — at the Old Town Alexandria waterfront: "No matter how grand a proposal you plan, I just wanted to get it done." When Theona finished opening the third of a series of gift boxes — titled "laugh," "live" and "love," each containing love notes and daisies — to discover a ring, it was clear Gary needn't have worried. They'll exchange vows in a semiformal ceremony on Aug. 17 in Temple Hills. A steel band will play at their reception, and the best man is Gary's 8-year-old son.

Gary is a consultant. Theona is a meeting planner. They live in Upper Marlboro.

## Vijay Bakhru, Serena Galloway

**Vijay, 27, is an attorney. Serena, 26, is a psychology student. They will live in San Diego.**

■ **The Main Event:** A Hindu and Christian ceremony on the patio of a historic mansion in Mitchellville, Md., on Aug. 16. A formal reception will follow.
■ **How They Met:** "Serena and I grew up 10 minutes apart in Silver Spring," says Vijay. "But we didn't meet until we attended the University of Maryland. ... I decided right away to ask her out. It only took me three months to figure out how."
■ **First Impressions:** "She was filled with energy and a love for life." "Vijay was shy and yet a complete gentleman."
■ **First Date:** The plan was to see "Monsters Inc.," but when it was sold out, Vijay suggested they watch "Ocean's 11" instead (and pretended he hadn't seen it). "I spent the entire movie laughing 10 seconds before the punch lines. That drew some weird looks from her."
■ **How He Proposed:** Shortly after Serena moved to San Francisco to start grad school, Vijay suggested an impromptu stop near the Golden Gate Bridge on the way to dinner. He drove her to Hawk's Point, overlooking the Pacific. "I had never seen anything so beautiful in my life. ... At sunset, Vijay got down on one knee. I started to cry. I cried so much that he had to propose twice!"

"When we survived our first year of long-distance ... I knew we were going to make it."

## Erin Fair, Troy Lamberte

**Erin, 25, is an orthodontic assistant. Troy, 27, is a software engineer. They live in Reston.**

■ **The Main Event:** A semiformal ceremony and reception in their hometown of Yakima, Wash., on Aug. 16.
■ **How They Met:** "When I was 15 and he was 17," says Erin. "We were introduced through mutual friends. A few years later, we lost touch but then reunited on the Fourth of July 2006. He was passing through Utah — where I worked — on his way back to California. He drove six hours out of his way on a whim to see me. There were sparks we couldn't ignore!'
■ **First Impressions:** "Beautiful and bubbly. She had a spring in her step." "He had a cute smile, but I heard he was a genius, so I found him very intimidating."
■ **First Date:** Erin says it was a hot air balloon ride on Aug. 6, 2006: "We had our first kiss at sunrise." Troy disagrees: "It was March 2000. I got Erin to hang out with me for the evening that consisted of wandering around the Dollar Store and eating at Red Robin. ... I still consider Red Robin our restaurant."
■ **How He Proposed:** After seeing Broadway's "Wicked" in Manhattan, Troy suggested they head to the Lincoln Plaza fountain at midnight. "He told me how much he loved me, and got on one knee while holding the ring."
■ **Pet Names:** Troy is "Honey" and Erin is "Darlin'."
■ **When She Knew:** After dating Troy for a couple months, Erin's boss asked, "'Well what would you say if this guy asked you to marry him today?' Without hesitation, I replied, 'I'd say yes.'"

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